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DRAMATIC STATEMENT BY JAPANESE MILITARY SPOKESMAN.

ADDITIONAL TAXES FOR THE U.S.

Optimistic Views Are
Expressed.

BUSY WEEK.

Washington, Yesterday.
After providing for \$5160,000 towards balancing the Budget by passing the excise levies yesterday the House of Representatives to-day voted additional taxes, producing a further \$5223,000,000, mainly from increases in the surtax, the corporation tax, increased postal rates and taxes on telegraph, telephone and wireless messages, except Press messages.

Optimists hope that by the end of the week the House of Representatives will provide the remainder of the \$51,241,000,000 needed for balancing the Budget. Reuter's American Service.

Amusement Tax.

Washington, Later.
The House of Representatives has agreed to a tax of 10 per cent. on the prices of admission in places of amusement.

It is estimated that the tax will produce an addition of \$40,000,000 to the revenue. Reuter's American Service.

KING & QUEEN GO TO WINDSOR.

Court to Remain There
During April.

Rugby, Yesterday.
Their Majesties the King and Queen will motor from Buckingham Palace, London, to Windsor Castle, Windsor, to-morrow afternoon.

It is expected that the Court will remain at Windsor Castle for the whole of April. — British Wireless Service.

THE JAPANESE MAY NEVER WITHDRAW THEIR FORCES

PERMANENT OCCUPATION HINTED AT

MILITARY SPOKESMAN ON THE
JAPANESE CONCESSION.

PESSIMISTIC ATMOSPHERE

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, To-day.

Pessimism pervades the atmosphere in the Conference Chamber, in spite of a new Japanese Concession in the shape of a withdrawal of their forces to certain definitely bounded areas.

The Chinese authorities, while welcoming the concession as a progressive step, state that it fails to meet the positive demands as to the time limit of the withdrawal into the Settlement and adjoining roads.

PERMANENT OCCUPATION?

The Japanese Military spokesman declared that if the Conference fails, "We may never withdraw our forces," adding that the Japanese were prepared for any contingencies, and even hinted at permanent occupation if the concessions were rejected.

It is, however, believed that both sides will try to continue negotiations, while simultaneously the neutral participants will advance opinions permitting discussions along new angles.

The opinion in well-informed circles is that the Japanese have gone to the extreme limit in their concession.

THE NEW REGIME IN MANCHURIA.

Chinese Maritime
Customs.

THREE SALIENT POINTS.

(Reuter's Pacific Service.)

Mukden, To-day.
The Japanese Press to-day issued a statement regarding the attitude of the new regime in connection with the Chinese Maritime Customs in Manchuria.

Firstly, all Customs Houses and revenues collected in them at present belong to the new Government.

Secondly, because Maritime Customs revenues are hypothecated for foreign loans and indemnities the Manchowkuo authorities are prepared to leave the Customs Houses in Manchuria under the control of the Inspector-General of Customs, on the condition that changes in staff, tariff and Customs regulations are notified to the new Government.

Thirdly, the Manchowkuo Government will meet a share of the payments due in connection with foreign loans and indemnity payments secured on Customs revenues.

COMMISSIONER'S BRIEF STAY IN HANKOW.

Returning by Same
Boat to Nanking.

(Reuter's Pacific Service.)

Shanghai, To-day.
The members of the Lytton Commission, who are leaving for Hankow on April 1 or 2 are staying in Hankow only one and a half days and are returning to Nanking on the same boat. They will not stay in Nanking on the return journey, but will proceed direct by special train to Peking.

OLD KIRIN ARMY'S ACTIVITIES.

Voluntarily Destroy
Fortifications.

(Reuter's Pacific Service.)

Harbin, To-day.
According to information from Hengtaohotze, members of the old Kirin Army have voluntarily destroyed the fortifications erected at kilometre 12.55 and have also removed obstacles from the railway track.

FAIR.

The weather report issued by the Royal Observatory to-day, stated:—

The anti-cyclone has moved into the Yellow Sea.
Forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

WHITE STAR LINE REDUCTIONS.

Passenger Fares on
North Atlantic.

London, Yesterday.

Close on the heels of the 20 per cent. reductions in fares made by the United States Lines, on several Trans-Atlantic liners, comes the announcement by the White Star Line that there will be immediate substantial reductions of passenger fares on all their North Atlantic vessels. Reuter.

UNEMPLOYED TO STAGE MAMMOTH MASS MEETING

BUSY SUNDAY FOR THE SETTLEMENT POLICE

DEMANDS FOR RELEASE OF DETAINED
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS.

POLICE PRECAUTIONS

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, To-day.

Unemployed workers in the Western District have completed arrangements to hold a mammoth mass meeting on Sunday, one object of the demonstration being a march on the Special District Court for the purpose of demanding the release of all unemployed persons under detention.

The International Settlement Police, however, intend to halt the parade if the demonstrators attempt a passage through the foreign areas.

PEASANTS COME UNDER FIRE.

Skirmishes continue in desultory fashion, and reconnoitring activities by Japanese planes at Hangchow, and along the fronts is generally disturbing to the Chinese mind.

Five peasants while passing the Woosung Creek in a boat were struck by stray bullets.

Exchange of rifle shots have been more frequent though sporadic, but the encounters are not affecting the peace conference.

CHINA WRITES OFF \$93,000.

Chinese Delegation
Disappointed.

NEWS AWAITED ANXIOUSLY.

Geneva, Yesterday.
The Chinese Government has paid into the League of Nations Treasury \$93,000 as its annual instalment on account for arrears of Chinese contributions to the League funds.

The Chinese Delegation is awaiting further development in Shanghai, and view the negotiations with some concern. They consider that the progress made has been most disappointing.

The result of to-morrow's proceedings in Shanghai is awaited anxiously. Meanwhile Dr. W. W. Yen is drawing attention to the attitude of the Japanese delegates at these negotiations. Reuter.

FRENCH AIR LINER CRASHES.

All Three Occupants
Killed.

Bagdad, Yesterday.

Colonel De Reynier, a Colonel in the Swiss Army and President of the League of Nations commission on the Iraq-Syrian Frontier, was killed in the crash of a French air liner during a dense sandstorm over the Syrian Desert, 200 miles from Bagdad.

The French pilot and mechanic, the only other occupants, were also killed. Reuter.

NEW £50,000 COTY FACTORY BRENTFORD SITE

DEVELOPMENT DEPENDS ON RESULTS
OF OTTAWA CONFERENCE.

WORK FOR 2,000 BRITONS

(Reuter's Special Service.)

London, Yesterday.

A £50,000 Coty Perfumery Factory at Brentford which will employ 2,000 British workers is one of the results of the British tariffs.

The first part of the factory will be completed in July and its development thereafter will depend on the results of the Ottawa Conference, according to one of the Directors of Coty.

DOMINIONS' ASSISTANCE.

At present most of Coty's British Empire business is done from Paris, but if the Dominions give British manufacturers preference, the business will be done from the new Factory which will produce goods valued at £1,000,000 annually.

Essences for scent and powder will come from abroad, but efforts will be made to procure bottles and raw materials for soaps in England.

IRISH FREE STATE AND OTTAWA.

Their Representation
at Conference.

MINISTERS INTERVIEWED.

Ottawa, Yesterday.

Dominion Cabinet Ministers, interviewed by Reuter, with regard to the report that the Irish Free State might be refused representation at the Ottawa Conference if it abolished the Oath of Allegiance, declared that the Dominion Government had never even considered the question and in any case no decision could be reached pending the outcome of the Anglo-Irish negotiations. Reuter.

ROUMANIAN AIRMAN REACHES ALEPPO.

Attempts Solo Flight
to Saigon.

Aleppo, Yesterday.

The Roumanian airman, Lionel Ghica, who left Bucharest at 5.30 a.m. this morning on a solo flight to Saigon, arrived here at 4 p.m. this afternoon. He is leaving for Bagdad at 4 a.m. to-morrow.

M. Ghica is flying a Roumanian machine and his flight is under the patronage of King Carol. Reuter.

KAYE DON'S RECORD BEATEN.

Wilbur Shaw's Effort at
Los Angeles.

FOR FOUR CYLINDER CARS.

Los Angeles, To-day.

Mr. Kaye Don's record of 136.58 m.p.h. for four-cylinder cars was broken by Mm. Wilbur Shaw who accomplished a speed of 137.25 m.p.h. Reuter.

THE KREUGER-TOLL APPLICATION.

Prolongation of
Moratorium.

Stockholm, Yesterday.

The Kreuger-Toll Combine to-day applied to the Government for a prolongation of the moratorium for private firms until May 1 in order to facilitate the continuation of the enquiry into the Combine's affairs. Reuter.

£17,000,000 DEFICIT IN ITALIAN BUDGET.

Ministry of Finance's
Announcement.

Rome, Yesterday.

A Budget deficit of 1,594,000,000 lire (£17,000,000), is to-day announced by the Ministry of Finance, but it is expected that the deficit will be considerably over-covered by a new issue of 1,000,000,000 lire of nine year 5 per cent. Treasury Bonds, at 97. Reuter.

FIRST INTERNATIONAL POLAR YEAR

JUBILEE CELEBRATION

POLAR REGIONS TO BE VISITED
BY COMMISSION.

THIRTEEN COUNTRIES INTERESTED

London, Yesterday.

Cyclones, anti-cyclones and depressions will be investigated by an International Meteorological Commission, in which thirteen countries will participate to celebrate the Jubilee of the first international Polar year.

The Commission will spend over a year, starting on August 1, by visiting a number of stations in the Polar regions, in a co-ordinated effort to ascertain the data on air currents, temperatures, atmospheric electricity, etc.

TWO BRITISH EXPEDITIONS.

Great Britain is sending two expeditions, one to Tromsø and the other to Fort Rae in Canada. It is anticipated that much useful information will be obtained, leading to improvements in wireless communication.

Small pilot balloons, with instruments recording height and temperature, will be utilised in the meteorological work, and it is stated that by a new Continental invention wireless sets attached to the balloons will announce the heights and temperatures automatically, thus overcoming the difficulty of regaining the instruments when they fall to the earth. Reuter.

ROUND HONG KONG'S CINEMA THEATRES

OFFICIAL SOURCES.

"CONFESSIONS OF A CO-ED."

The intimate secrets of an anonymous college girl, confided to her diary from day to day as she experienced them, gave Paramount the story for this timely picture, "Confessions of a Co-Ed," which is now showing at the King's Theatre.

It is highly dramatic and emotion-charged. Individual as these experiences are, they nevertheless, reflect accurately the thrilling lives and love-affairs of the thousands of ambitious youths in American colleges. Young men and beautiful girls, away from home, "on their own," for the first time in their lives—how do they use their new-found freedom, how are they struck by life that blossoms forth as one, long, delectable thrill? "Confessions of a Co-Ed" tells their story, in a series of exciting episodes, filmed as faithfully as they were originally written down.

No picture released in months is more timely. It comes at the peak of a tremendous interest in college life and college students. The story is new. No college picture ever filmed resembles it in the least. It is projected against a background of colourful fraternity life, campus flirtations, house-parties, proms. Its people are the sophisticated, smartly dressed young people of the modern university.

"Confessions of a Co-Ed" is the screen's first dramatic treatment of the modern college. Into this interesting situation, Paramount has put a cast of young people capable of translating its youthful action into heart-grIPPING reality. Phillips Holmes, the blond Princeton alumnus who was picked from the campus less than three years ago for a meteoric career in motion pictures. Sylvia Sidney, brunette beauty, a stage star in the Broadway production of "Bad Girl" when Paramount whirled her into stardom in "City Streets." Norman Foster, the "Young Man of Manhattan," a graduate of Carnegie Tech, a Broadway stage favourite, and, at present, one of the young male favourites of the screen.

"ALIBI"

A story of the real "mystery" school is told in "The Murder of Roger Ackroyd," acknowledged to be one of the best of Agatha Christie's carefully-planned novels. It enshrines one of the solutions of Hercule Poirot, the celebrated French detective, whose whimsical mannerisms and astute deductions give a charm to his actions.

The novel was excellently dramatised by Michael Morton, and as "Alibi" was a pronounced West End stage success, running for nine months. For the screen it was adapted by Cyril Twyford and Brock Williams, and the translation is first-rate.

The picture now at the Queen's was made at the Twickenham Film Studios, under the supervision of Julius Hagen, Leslie S. Hiscott directing.

Sir Roger Ackroyd was the very rich and very unpopular squire of the village, and when he was mysteriously murdered, nobody seemed to be very much upset. Detestation does sometimes estrange one's neighbours and household. But the law takes cognisance of death in any shape or form, and when the squire of the district dies a violent

death there are no bounds to the suspicions and activity of the police.

It is to the advantage of the story that the dead man was so wholeheartedly hated that anyone of a number of persons might be suspected of the crime. The local inspector of police was quickly and easily convinced of the guilt of one of the suspects, but Hercule Poirot paid no regard to the apparently obvious. He conducted his investigations quietly and in his own peculiar manner, and by a series of deductions arrived at the truth. The truth, however, is not revealed until the very end, and the direction of the picture was so carefully planned that there is not the slightest suggestion as to the identity of the culprit.

In addition to Austin Trevor, who plays Poirot, the strong cast includes Franklin Dyall as the murdered squire, Harvey Braban as the police inspector, J. H. Roberts, John Devereil, Ronald Ward, Earle Grey, Mercia Swinburne, Diana Deaumont, Mary Jerrold, Elizabeth Allen and Claire Greet.

"SUNSHINE SUSIE."

In the wireless studios, in the restaurants, concert halls and on the gramophone, the public has been familiarised with the heart-lifting music of "Sunshine Susie," which is coming to the King's Theatre soon. Not for many years have theme-songs so captured the imagination of people. The outstanding number, of course, is the unforgettable "To-day I feel so happy," which you'll hear whistled everywhere, and the very simplicity of which represents its outstanding charm.

Then, there is another number which has taken the town by storm and has been eagerly snapped up by the professional vocalists—"Just because I lost my heart to you," which Renate Muller sings delightfully, and with much feeling.

In lighter vein Jack Hulbert's "I have an Aunt Eliza" is the kind of song that seems to have been made for this fine comedian, whose Herr Hasel, the bank commissionaire with his own beer-garden choir, is the finest film characterisation in British films to date.

"THE SECRET SIX"

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's famous "mud director" has been at it again. For that is what George Hill, noted for "The Big House," "Min and Bill" and other hits, has been nicknamed, because of his predilection for pictures in which he can march struggling men through mud, as in "Tell It To the Marines."

"The Secret Six" Hill's latest production, which will open on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre, for a time threatened not to have any mud in it. But Hill fixed up a sequence in which Wallace Beery flees from a vigilance committee through stockyards, a river bottom, and into the arms of the law. Again Hill has gotten mud into a film drama. The reason is simple—Hill believes that a struggle in mud is the most dramatic thing in the world.

Service as a captain in the army during the war probably made the director familiar with the art of marching through mud. Before the war he was a cameraman. He was commissioned in the Signal Corps and marched miles in mud, both in Italy and in France. When he returned home and became a director,

mud as drama became one of his hobbies.

Hill was born in Kansas, set out to be an engineer, but as a boy got a job with D. W. Griffith at the old Fine Arts studios. He became Griffith's ace cameraman, and, after the war, won his spurs as a director. Among his early hits were "Zander the Great," "The Limited Mail" and "Suds." For Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer he directed "The Flying Fleet," "Tell It to the Marines," "The Big House" and "Min and Bill." He is the husband of Frances Marion, noted scenarist, and in the last three of his screen hits the two have worked together as a team, she authoring and he directing.

His new picture, "The Secret Six" is a vivid drama of city politics and the underworld, with Wallace Beery, Lewis Stone, John Miljan, John Mack Brown, Jean Harlow and Marjorie Rambeau heading a large cast.

HUNDRED YEARS WAR.

German Newspaper's Prophecy.

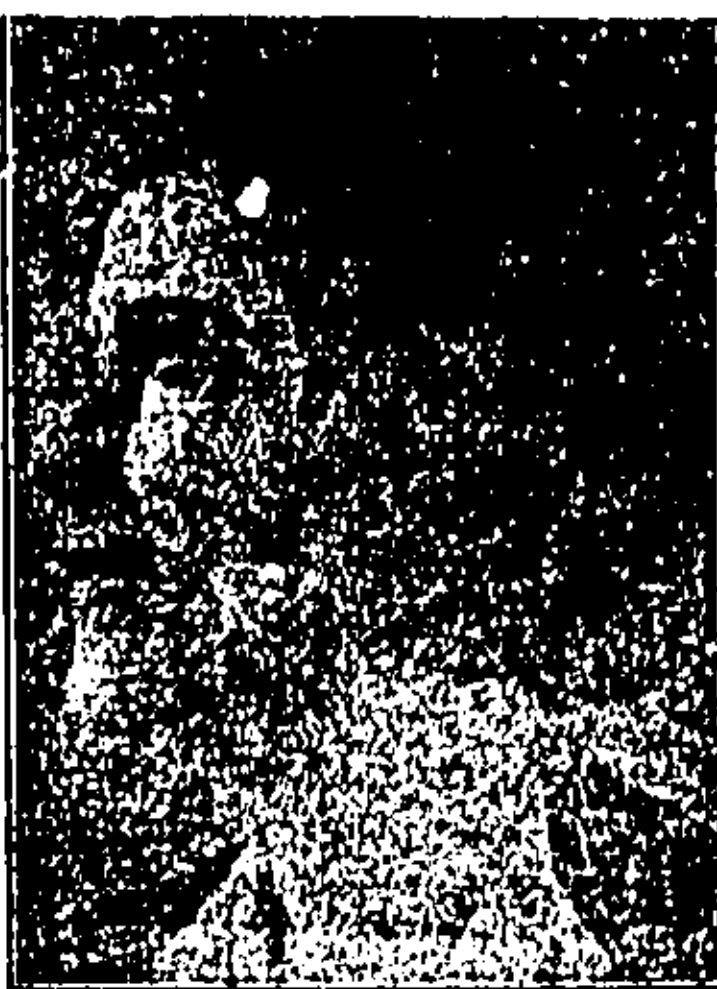
Berlin, Feb. 20.
A parallel between the Sino-Japanese dispute and the Hundred Years War between England and France, which resulted in the latter's becoming a united nation against the invader and recovering all her lost territory, is drawn by the Boersen Zeitung, which expresses the opinion that a similar development is possible in the Far East and so the struggle will not be ended with the Japanese occupation of Shanghai. The paper adds that the United States is playing a waiting game and will not intervene until Japan has been weakened through prolonged conflict with China. The Vossische Zeitung, which is the only other paper to comment editorially, agrees that a Japanese victory in Shanghai will not mean the end of war, but rather increase the tension.

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SUNDAY, 3rd APRIL.

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Jack Hulbert,
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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 365 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

5-8 p.m.—European Programme.
5-5.35 p.m.—Operatic.
Dedication of Faust—
Rakoczy March (Berlioz).
Dance of the Sylphs (Berlioz).
Sir Hamilton Harty conducting the Halle Orchestra (L2059).

Frederica—Love Will Kiss and Ride Away (Pepper & Lehar).
Frederica—Little Roses, Little Flowers (Pepper & Lehar).
Lea Seidl (Soprano) with the Palace Theatre Orchestra (DB209).
Faust—Prelude (Gounod).
Faust—Valse (Gounod).
Milan Symphony Orchestra (9878).

"There, Oh Wonder!"
Il Trovatore—Act 1, Finale (Verdi)—Gianna Arangi-Lombardi, Francesco Merli and Carlo Galeffi.
Rigoletto—Act 1, Scene 2 (He Laid a Father's Curse on me) (Verdi).
Carlo Galeffi and Ernesto Dominici (L2356).

5.35-6.05 p.m.—Children's Concert from the Studio.
6.05-6.30 p.m.—
Quartet in F Major (Beethoven, Op. 135).
Played by the Lerner String Quartet (L1918-20).

6.30-7.15 p.m.—Variety.
Song—
Just One Hour of Love.
Irene Bordoni (Comedienne) (6736).

Vocal Duet—
Recollections.
Layton & Johnstone (5696).
Orchestral—
With a Song in my Heart—
Symphonic Rhapsody.
Court Symphony Orchestra (DX63).

Yodling—
S'Maleche (Milking).
Edelweiss Yodlers (5643).
Humorous Sketch—
Buying a Gun.
Harry Grattan and Horace Percival (DX276).

Vocal Duet—
We'll Cling Together.
Norah Blaney & Gwen Farrar (DB121).

Old-Time Medley—
Harry Champion.
Harry Champion (Comedian) (DX289).

7.15-7.35 p.m.—A Concert.
Viola Solo—
Prelude and Allegro (Pugnani arr. Tertis).
Lionel Tertis (DX313).

Song—
A Fairy Went A-Marketing (Fyelman & Goodhart).
Dame Clara Butt, Contralto (FBS).

Organ Solo—
Estrellita (Ponce).
Emil Velazco (DB85).

Song—
Mary, My Mary (Dowdon & Leslie).
Best of All (Lemene & Leslie).
Hubert Eidel, Tenor (5686).

Violin Solo—
Waltz in C Sharp Minor (Chopin).
Bronislaw Huberman (LX137).

7.35-8 p.m.—Orchestral.
Homage (Wagner).
Sir Dan Godfrey conducting the Symphony Orchestra (L2002).

The Season's Ballet (Glazounov).
Alexandre Glazounov and Dance of the Flowers (Delibes).
Lucerne Kusanal Orchestra (LX30).

8 p.m.—Local Time.
8.03-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Concert from the Studio.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.
All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

The following unclaimed telegram is lying at the office of the Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited) of Denmark:—

Silverlead, from Kobe.
F. V. JENSEN,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, March 30, 1932.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant; Dinner Dances at Hong Kong, and Peninsula Hotels and King's Restaurant.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre; "Confessions of a Co-Ed." Theatre; To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Alibi."

To-day—Central Theatre; "All Quiet On The Western Front." Theatre; To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Always Goodbye."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Say It With Songs." Theatre; To-day—Helena May Institute Concert, 5.30 p.m.

Home Mails.

To-morrow—Inward from America (Empress of Canada); Outward for Europe via Siberia (President Madison) 6 p.m.

Land Sale.

April 4—At P.W.D. Offices, two lots of Crown Land, 3 p.m.

Meetings.

April 6—Gande, Price & Co., Ltd., 2, Ice House Street (St. George's Bldg.), noon.

April 6—Hong Kong Philharmonic Society, Cathedral Hall Office, 5.30 p.m.

April 13—China Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Limited, extraordinary meeting, King's Theatre Building, 5th floor, noon.

Lammerts' Auctions.
To-day—At Sales Room, postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

To-morrow—At 1, Torres Buildings, Kowloon, household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

April 2—At Sales Room, "Rosella" Brand groceries, 10.30 a.m.

BRIDGE-PLAYING IS DEGRADING.

Mr. Mencken Attacks American Women.

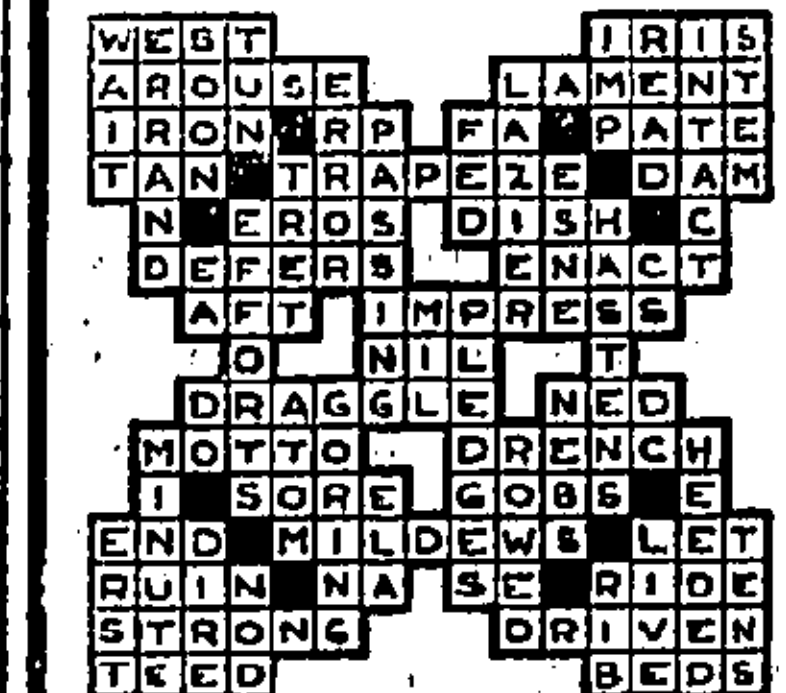
"Let women stop wasting time at bridge tables and learn how to cook a noble dish of cabbage if they wish to help this country out of the depression."

With these brave words, aimed at bridge-playing American women, Mr. Henry L. Mencken, editor of the "American Mercury," hurried aboard the steamship that carried him from New York for a cruise to the West Indies and South America.

Mr. Mencken does not like bridge. "Bridge-playing is essentially degrading," he thundered. Some people have actually got to the point where a skilled bridge player is considered more important than Beethoven would be if he were in New York to-day and bringing out a new symphony.

"It will be worth all the misery this country is going through if women can rid themselves of the idea that there is something disgraceful about living simply and quietly and well within the family means."

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



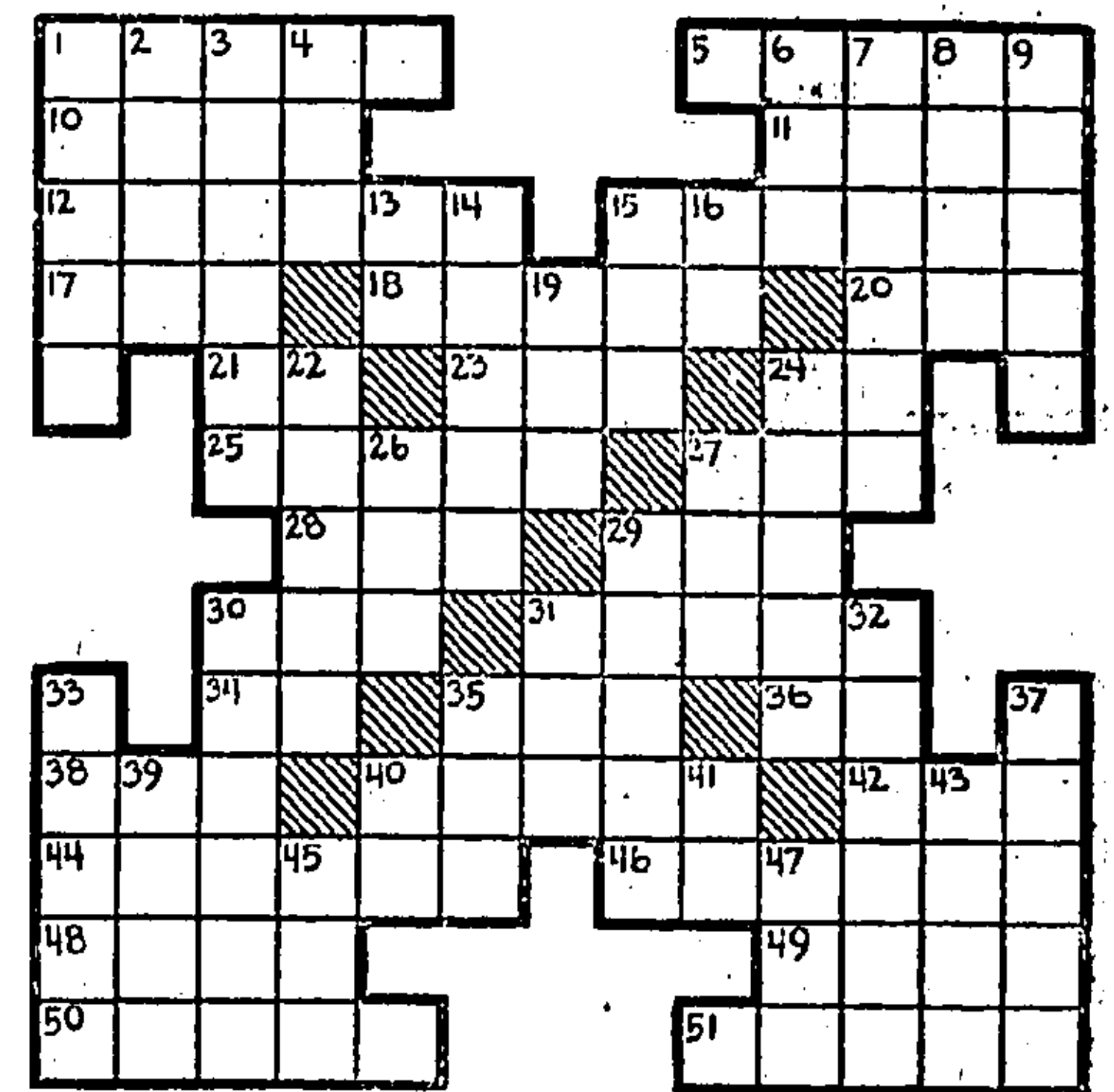
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-Product | 38-Sever | 7-Rubbed out |
| 5-Dress material | 39-A negative | 8-Segment |
| 10-Selfish grudging in view of what another enjoys | 38-A lofty mountain | 9-Penetrates |
| 11-Group of islands off the coast of Ireland | 40-Damp | 13-Pronoun |
| 12-Takes away (Law) | 42-Raw metal | 14-Trap |
| 15-To bestow | 44-A machine for sowing seed | 15-Mischivous child |
| 17-Male descendant | 46-A native of Normandy | 16-Pronoun |
| 18-Foo | 48-Pitch | 19-Supervise suffix |
| 20-Sainte (abbr.) | 49-Combining form air | 22-Musical drama |
| 21-Towards | 50-Finished | 24-Harbor |
| 22-Poisonous snake | 51-Viper | 25-Employ |
| 24-Salet | | 27-Kitchen implement |
| 25-Squirrel | | 30-To add |
| 27-Insane | | 31-Alcoholic beverage |
| 28-Point of compass (abbr.) | | 32-Condensed |
| 29-Midtime distress signal | | 33-Sew loosely |
| 30-Metric land measure | | 35-Worthless dog |
| 31-Moves fast | | 37-A title (Sp.) |
| 34-Father | | 38-Boy's name |
| | | 40-Pronoun |
| | | 41-Act |
| | | 43-Scare |
| | | 45-Scotch river |
| | | 47-Radical (abbr.) |

.... (The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

Bringing Up Father.



HONG KONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.
Donations and Subscriptions must now be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. H. E. Goldsmith, 525, The Peak.

KING'S

SHOWING TO-DAY AT 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.30 P.M.

"CONFESSIONS OF A CO-ED"



with
SYLVIA SIDNEY
PHILLIPS HOLMES
NORMAN FOSTER



The Intimate
Story Her
Diary
Told!

Secrets! The girls
she lived with.
The man she loved;
the man she
couldn't, even
though she married
him.

NEXT CHANGE

COMMENCING SUNDAY, 3rd APRIL.

The film that radiates happiness —
the film with the "Happy" Song.

"SUNSHINE SUSIE"



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BEAT H.K.S.R.A.Worthy Substitutes for
Police.

ANOTHER DISAPPOINTMENT.

The Hong Kong Hockey Club first eleven met with another disappointment yesterday afternoon, when their opponents, the Police, failed to turn up on the U.S.R.C. ground. A scratch team, however, of Indians was raised from the H.K.S.R.A., and a sporting friendly game was played.

The Club won by four goals to one. G. E. R. Divett (2), L. D. Kilbee and C. C. Francis being responsible for the points. The Indians scored their solitary point through their centre-forward, in the second half.

Club:—G. Duncan; W. Woodward, E. V. Reed; W. Reed, A. A. Dand, J. E. Potter; L. D. Kilbee, G. E. R. Divett, C. C. Francis, E. MacNider, and J. L. Tetley.

KOWLOON DROP
A POINT.Held by Police to a
Draw.

On the Railway ground yesterday Kowloon dropped a point in the First Division of the Hong Kong Football League when they were held to a goalless draw by the Police.

On the whole it was a scrappy encounter and the result was a very fair indication of the run of the play.

The teams were as follows:—
Kowloon F.C.:—Gurevitch; White, Martin; Bliss, McKeivie, A. Duncan; Eastman, Dominy, Bryant, Blake, and Phillips.

Police:—McHardy; Blackburn, Brittain; Thorpe, Channings, Jessop; C. Pile, Fraser, Dowman, Shepherd, and Brown.

CHARITY SOCCER ON
SATURDAY.Civilian Teams Against
the Services.

The following have been selected to represent the "Civilians" in Charity Matches on the Hong Kong Club ground on Saturday.

Junior Match.—Kick off 3.00 p.m. sharp. (white shirts will be worn):—

Fagwell (Club), Hynes (Club), Eastman (Kowloon), A. Ralston (Club), Whitfield (Kowloon), Capt. Blake (Kowloon), Phillips (Kowloon), Elms (Radio), Funcheon (Club), F. Santos (Recreio), and J. Santos (Recreio).

Referee Mr. E. T. Ford, R.N.—
Linesmen Messrs. Fieldhouse and Gomes.

Senior Match.—Kick off 4.30 p.m. sharp (Blue shirts will be worn):—

Rodger (Club), Martin (Kowloon), Strange (Club), Skinner (Club), McKelvie (Kowloon), Capt. Bliss (Kowloon), B. Gosano (Recreio), Segalen (Club), A. V. Gosano (Recreio), Leonard (St. Joseph's), and C. Pile (Police).

Reserves:—A. Duncan, Foley, Cornwall and Channing.

Referee—Cpl. Holland R.N.,
Linesmen—Messrs. Pooley and Lawrence.

The Services will supply the opposition. Proceeds from these games will be given to the dependants of the late C.Q.M.S. Mullen, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

H.K.C.C. ELEVEN FOR
SATURDAY.

Friendly Match Against
Royal Navy.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Cricket Club against the Navy on the Club ground on Saturday at 2 p.m.

H. Owen Hughes (Captain), A. C. Beck, A. C. L. Bowker, E. R. Duckitt, R. H. Griffiths, D. McLellan, E. J. R. Mitchell, J. E. Potter, A. Reid, L. T. Ride, and A. J. B. Wolf.

KILLED BY
LIGHTNING.Golfer and Caddie at
Maidenhead.

OPPONENT PARALYSED.

Rugby, Yesterday.
An elderly golfer and his caddie were killed by lightning during a sudden thunderstorm which broke over the Maidenhead Golf Course this afternoon.

The golfer's opponent was also struck and was removed to hospital suffering from partial paralysis.—
British Wireless Service.

VOLUNTEERS XI. FOR
SUNDAY.Strong Side Out Against
United Services.

The following will represent the Volunteers on Sunday, at 11 a.m. sharp on the Royal Navy ground at King's Park against the United Services.

E. J. R. Mitchell (Captain), A. C. Beck, J. E. Richardson, N. A. E. Mackay, F. S. W. Smith, A. Reid, R. M. Wood, R. H. Griffiths, D. McLellan, J. E. Potter, and W. D. Folley.

FINCHER & GOLDMAN
A STEP FURTHER.Only One Open Event
Decided.

The following were the results of yesterday's play in the Lawn Tennis Championships:—

Open Doubles.

E. C. Fincher and L. Goldman beat H. A. Barros and F. J. Remedios 6-1, 6-4.

Handicap Singles "B".

A. C. Beck (rec. 3/6) beat F. G. Nigel (rec. 2/6) 6-1, 6-1.

V. R. Gordon (owe 15) beat D. B. Robb (rec. 15) 4-6, 6-2, 8-6.

Mixed Doubles.

Lt. Col. and Miss Lecky (scr.) beat A. J. Palmer and Miss Stevenson (rec. 15) 6-1, 6-4.

TENNIS PROGRAMME.

TO-DAY.

Open Singles.

S. A. Rumjahn v. J. A. E. Cassumbhoy.

Open Doubles.

Ho Ka-lau and Yew Man-kit v. Lee Wai-tong and Luk Ding-cheong.

Club Championship.

Sullivan or Valentine v. Harkins. Redmond v. Humphreys.

Handicap Singles "B".

Lampard v. Robb or Gordon. Jensen v. McBride or Williams.

Handicap Doubles.

Worrell and Stock v. T. J. and E. R. Price.

Foley and Montgomery v. Lecky and Waite or Fox and Stabb.

Handicap Mixed Doubles.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood or Grimbale and Miss R. Hancock v. Mr. and Mrs. Stabb or Ralston and Mrs. Stafford Smith.

TO-MORROW.

Open Singles.

E. C. Fincher v. Ho Ka-lau.

Open Doubles.

S. A. and H. P. Rumjahn v. Chiu and Hung.

Club Championship.

Tufton v. Sullivan, Valentine v. Harkins.

Handicap Singles "A".

Waite v. Bowker.

Handicap Doubles.

Mackie and Mayhew v. Humphreys and Blaker.

Handicap Mixed Doubles.

Barton and Miss Hallifax v. R. Hancock and Miss Hancock.

Col. and Mrs. Lecky or Palmer and Miss Stevenson v. Segalen and Mrs. Brown.

FREAK CRICKET
DECLARATIONS.Supporter of Lord
Hawke.

GREENWOOD'S ACTION.

D. H. Gordon Smith, Leeds, who played for Stewart's College (F.P.) from 1886 to 1898, latterly as captain, writes:—

It is indeed surprising to find how many people in these days so readily subscribe to the always dangerous doctrine that the end justifies the means, and that, so far, not a single voice has been raised locally, or pen put to paper, in support of the views expressed by Lord Hawke at the County meeting on the subject of "freak declarations." In my humble opinion, his Lordship, grown old in his service to the game, would have failed in his duty had he not taken the first opportunity open to him of publicly condemning as emphatically as he did such a glaring departure from the ethics of cricket as occurred at Sheffield.

I did not happen to be present then, but after playing and following the game for fifty years I do not quite regret having missed the solemn farce of two and twenty able-bodied cricketers and two veterans proceeding to and from the field on the understanding that there would be "nothing doing"—that no effort whatever would be made by one team to gain any advantage over the other. Surely this was the very negation of competitive sport, in which the fundamental principle is that everyone must be a trier from start to finish.

It is idle to talk lightly of the written and unwritten laws of any game. All sportsmen know how easily the straight path can be strayed from and how dangerous it is to condone any departure from "playing the game" in the spirit as well as in the letter of the law. If the main desire of the "rival" captains was to give the public a show for their money, as has been stated, they might have saved their faces to some extent by agreeing upon a time limit first innings, both sides doing their best, but no, they elected to become for the nonce conspirators instead of competitors. I hesitate to believe that the gaining of 16 points chiefly influence one or the other. Had those points gained by Gloucestershire ultimately led to Yorkshire not winning the Championship, it is not difficult to imagine criticism of a very different order to that under notice.

Lord Hawke's critics appear to quite ignore the fact that, while taking exception to Mr. Greenwood's action in one particular, he did him ample justice in stating, first, the "much credit was due to him" and, later, that it was "a pleasure to congratulate him on joining the little band of captains who have led their team to victory in their first year of office." Surely such a generous tribute should still the voice of adverse criticism. Lord Hawke spoke as a father—nay as a grandfather—to his cricket children, and I feel sure that his attitude has the approval of the great majority of those who have the interests of sport truly at heart.

PERRY CHAMPION OF
BERMUDA.Defeats Englishman
in Final.

Bermuda, March 2.
F. J. Perry, the British Davis Cup player, won the Bermuda singles' championship here to-day, beating another English player, H. G. N. Lee, 4-6, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4, in the final. The mixed doubles' championship was won by G. P. Hughes and Mrs. Fearnley-Whittingstall, who beat Perry and Miss Betty Nuthall, 6-4, 1-6, 6-4. Britain thus won four of the titles, as Perry and Lee had already won the men's doubles and Miss Nuthall and Mrs. Fearnley-Whittingstall the women's doubles. The women's singles went to Miss Sarah Palfrey (United States).—
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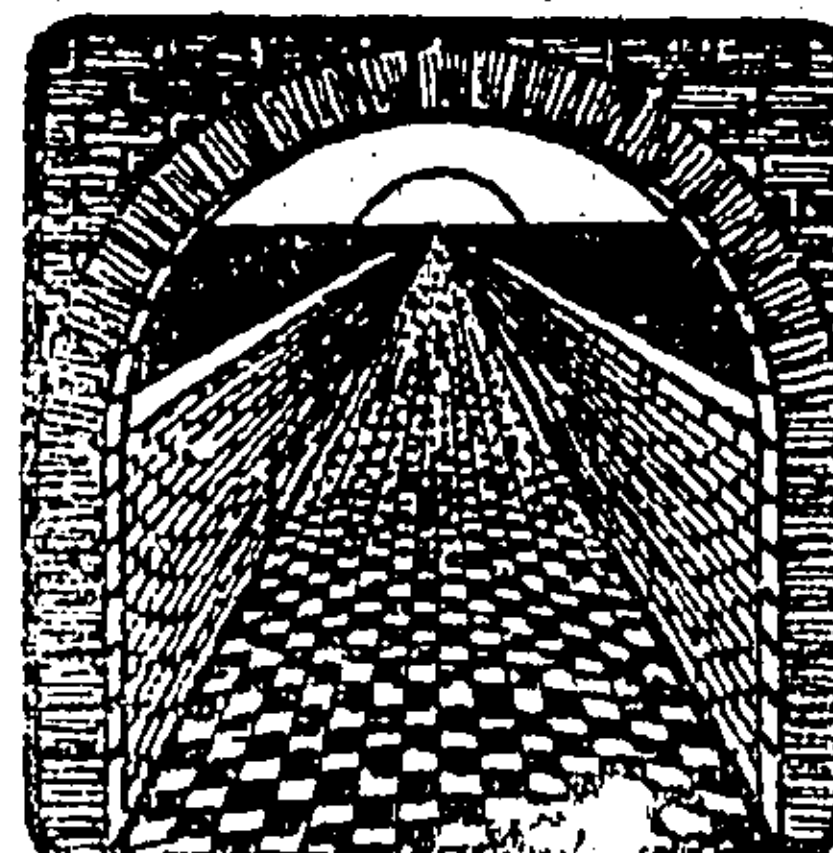
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NOVEL BOXING FOR LONDON.

Crowd to Referee Big Fight.

CARNERA'S VICTORY.

London, March 23. The old saying "all over bar the shouting" will be translated into reality to-day at the Albert Hall when Primo Carnera, the Italian giant, meets George Cook, the veteran Australian campaigner, in a boxing match in which no referee will officiate. The verdict will be given on the volume of public cheering as each man in turn walks to the centre of the ring after the fight. Knock-down will be merely counted by the time-keeper.

The veteran Australian recently defeated the British heavyweight champion, Reggie Meen, while the Italian has won all his three fights since returning to Europe. Two of these victories were by knock-outs.

Knocked Through Ropes.

London, March 23. As generally expected, George Cook, the 32-year-old Australian campaigner, proved no match for Primo Carnera at the Albert Hall to-night in a fight scheduled to go ten rounds. The veteran survived three rounds, but in the fourth he was sent clean out of the ring, where he was counted out.

The giant Italian took the offensive right from the opening gong and put his opponent down for a count of four in the first round. In the fourth round a terrific punch from Carnera sent Cook clean through the ropes, and ended the fight.

The fight was originally planned to be one in which there would not be a referee, but as this was illegal the boxers agreed to abide by the referee selected by the British Board of Control.

Carnera has now won all his four fights since returning to Europe from America, three of these victories being by the knock-out.

YORKSHIRE CAPTAIN RESIGNS.

On Plea of Business Pressure.

London, March 23. Frank Greenwood, the captain of the Yorkshire County cricket team last season, sent in his resignation to-day, owing to business claims.

Greenwood, who is very well-known in cricket circles at Huddersfield, succeeded A. T. Barber in the leadership of Yorkshire last season and led his side to win the County Championship.

SOCCER RECOGNISED AT ETON.

Colour Awarded for First Time.

Association football has after many years now been granted official recognition at Eton College, and this season a colour is being awarded for the first time. It has been decided that black and white shall be the colour which shall be awarded by the keeper. This season's keeper is A. E. Cameron.

SHEFFIELD SHIELD CRICKET.

Joint Holders of Trophy This Year.

Sydney, March 23. South Australia, by beating New South Wales to-day by 123 runs, have become joint holders of the Sheffield Shield with New South Wales.

In the second innings of the match to-day, Don Bradman, the world's most prolific scorer, was bowled by Tom Wall for a "duck."

SOUTH AFRICANS WIN LAST GAME.

Western Australia Overwhelmed.

Perth, March 23. The South Africans to-day beat Western Australia by six innings and 252 runs in the final match of their tour.

AUSTRALIA'S DAVIS CUP TEAM.

Mrs. Crawford to Join Party.

McGRATH ON HIS OWN.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Crawford will play together at Wimbledon in spite of the edict of most of the governing bodies in sport that wives shall not go with their husbands when the latter are on an official tour.

Mrs. Crawford, however, occupies an unusual position. Her husband is Australia's first ranking man player, and Mrs. Crawford (nee Marjorie Cox) is Australia's first ranking woman player. They are the mixed doubles champions of Australia.

Mrs. Crawford was not selected, whereupon Crawford said he would not go to Europe for the Davis Cup and Wimbledon unless his wife came with him. Mr. Norman Brookes put Crawford's case, and it was decided to send Mrs. Crawford and to guarantee £150 of her expenses. The Australian Lawn Tennis Association considered that this outlay would be more than covered by the proceeds of exhibition games in which Mr. and Mrs. Crawford would take part in Europe.

The remaining members of the Davis Cup team are H. O. Hopman and C. Sproule, both of whom, like Crawford, come from New South Wales.

McGrath, the wonder youth, who recently beat Moon in two matches will go to Wimbledon on his own. He will pass through Colombo shortly and no doubt an effort will be made to get this prodigy to take part in an exhibition display.

GREAT BATTING BY "BLACK BRADMAN".

Tennyson's Team Lose to Jamaica.

Kingston, Jamaica, March 3.

All-Jamaica won the second of the three unofficial Test matches against Lord Tennyson's touring team here yesterday by five wickets, and thus repeated their win in the first Test, which they won by an innings and 97 runs.

George Headley, the "Black Bradman," was again in brilliant form in scoring 155 not out. So far he has hit 593 runs off the English bowling in three innings, twice not out—first Test, 344 not out; second Test, 84 and 155 not out. In partnership with Nunes he added 245 runs for the second wicket. Nunes hit twenty fours in a stay of five and a half hours, and Headley hit one six and sixteen boundaries. The scores were: Lord Tennyson's XI, first innings, 402 (G. D. Kemp Welch 186, C. C. Doere 75, O. C. Scott 5 for 129); second innings, 188 (O. C. Scott 5 for 91).

All-Jamaica, first innings, 228 (G. Headley 84, G. T. S. Stevens 8 for 87); second innings, 363 for five (G. Headley 155 not out, R. K. Nunes 125. — P. A. Foreign Special.

BOROTRA THROUGH WITH DAVIS CUP.

But Not With Game Which He Loves.

New York, March 2. Jean Borotra, who has come here to defend his singles and doubles titles in the national indoor championships, said on his arrival to-day that he was through with Davis Cup tennis. "I am not giving up tennis altogether, because I enjoy it more than anything else," he said, "but I'm afraid I shall have to give up the more strenuous competitions."—Press Association Foreign Special.

C. V. GRIMMETT TO VISIT ENGLAND.

But Will Not Settle Down There.

Australia's greatest bowler, C. V. Grimmett, has stated that he is going to England shortly, but "I am not going to play cricket. I choose to go for a holiday. I have an connection with cricket. I don't see that it is anybody's business."

A NEW WAY WITH THE "RABBIT."

French Move for Better Tournaments.

LAWN TENNIS.

One hears that the French have decided upon a new method of conducting open tournaments in so far as the "rabbit" is concerned. The "rabbits"—i.e., those players below a certain standard—will be drawn in sections, each sectional winner will meet a first-class player, and the survivors will proceed to the final in the usual way. The French have the reputation of being the most logical nation, and it is urged in some quarters that we should follow this lead.

It does seem that the "rabbit" will have more of a run for its money, and certainly the tennis "rabbit," as the "rabbits" of other games, bears the brunt of the expense and as a rule gets very much the burnt end of the stick when it comes to weighing tournament benefits. The poor player, under the French plan, will not have the peculiar fate of meeting a great one and of being either blown off the court or contemptuously toyed with, writes E. J. Sampson in The Daily Telegraph. He will not be found, as occasionally he is found, reckoning out just how much each stroke in the encounter has cost him. The "rabbits" will be able to fight furiously among themselves, and the survivor of a section may possibly put up some semblance of a fight when it comes to the great man.

Another advantage is that the great players will be able to start right away with doubles play, so that the spectators will know that there is a chance of seeing noteworthy play early in the week. Nowadays the tournament-goer is a wary bird; he knows what is likely to happen on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, possibly Thursday. Largely nothing of importance, for the truly eminent from the South who consent to grace the tournaments in the North have too often been observed making a first appearance towards the end of the week. Then they proceed to massacre innocents at an incredible rate, looking more bored with each succeeding "murder." This sort of thing is not productive of good tennis, and it is certainly not good for the "gate," and without adequate pecuniary reward the finest tournaments are doomed.

It does not follow by the adoption of this new method that all "rabbits" are assured of equal treatment. Not all the great are of equal merit, and the survivor of No. 1 section may have a much more difficult task than the survivor of No. 2, and vice versa. But it does seem a move in the right direction, and should be worthy of trial by the home authorities.

Perhaps the L.T.A. Council will show itself yet more alive to the needs and growth of the game now that they are to have Sir Leonard Lyle as their president, for Sir Leonard is a player of merit himself, a well-known figure in tournaments, owning a fine forehead. He is the father of Miss Nancy Lyle, also in the front rank of home players. Any suggestion to relieve the lot of the "rabbit" or induce the first-rate players to put in an appearance on Monday is to be welcomed.

WALTER LINDRUM IN AMERICA.

Creates Canadian Record.

Playing against Tom Newman at Montreal on February 24 Walter Lindrum with a run of 222 beat the Canadian record which was 615.

GAR WOOD INVITED TO COMPETE.

May Meet Kaye Don in Italian Races.

Rome, March 3. Two Italian motor-boat racing officials—Signor Edmondo Tucci and Signor T. Rossi—have left Italy for America to convey to Commodore Gar Wood a formal invitation to compete in the motor-boat racing contests on Lake Garda this year. On their return they will visit England to convey a similar invitation to Mr. Kaye Don, who is expected to race on the lake in Lord Wakefield's new "Miss England III."—Central News.

THOMASINA'S CHOICE.

How She "Fixed" Father's Fifth Marriage.

HIS 9-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER.

Tom Mix's nine-year-old daughter, Thomasina, is revealed as a match-maker behind the scenes.

She was indirectly responsible for her 52-year-old father's marriage to Miss Mabel Ward, the circus star. It is the film actor's fifth marriage.

"When are you going to get married?" Thomasina asked him one day.

"Well, honey, whom do you want me to marry?" replied her father.

"Why, Mabel, of course," answered little Thomasina.

"And so here we are," said Tom Mix with a chuckle, waving his hand towards the blushing Mabel. Once he had won the circus star's love, Tom Mix lost no time. His friends suggested that he should take his car and drive over 130 miles from Palm Springs to Yuma to get married on American territory, but he declared that he "couldn't see the necessity for that," and slipped across the Mexican border to Mexico.

There, in the presence of Thomasina and Monte Blue and his wife, Tovina Johnson, the film stars, Mabel Ward became Mabel Mix.

After the ceremony the wedding party left for Tom Mix's home in Beverly Hills.

Tom Mix met his new bride while touring the country with a circus. An aerial performer of great daring, she is a fitting bride for the man whose daring feats of horsemanship created the pre-war cowboy film.

LIFE SAVED BY ALARM CLOCK.

Woman Tells How She Was Nearly Gassed.

A woman, awakened by her alarm clock, described how she nearly died of gas poisoning. "The alarm clock saved my life," she said.

She was Mrs. Helen Westwood, of Nowell Road, Barnes, and she told her story at the inquest at Mortlake, S.W., on her husband, Douglas Westwood, who was found dead at his home, Westwood, who was a post office clerk at the Blythe Road, sorting office, Kensington, was said to have sealed up the windows and doors with paper before turning full on the gas jets in the scullery.

Mrs. Westwood said that when she was awakened by the clock she felt a terrible sinking sensation.

Heart Pounding. "My heart was pounding," said Mrs. Westwood. "I felt so weak that I could hardly get out of bed. At last I managed to stagger from the room, which was filled with gas, and call to the neighbours for help. When neighbours came in they discovered my husband in the scullery."

She added that her husband was depressed. He had been shell shocked during the war.

The coroner recorded a verdict of Suicide while of Unsound mind, adding that this seemed to be another case of the effects of the war.

MR. T. P. PERKINS RECOVERING.

Unable to Play Golf for A Time.

Miami (Florida), March 4. Mr. Phil Perkins, the former British amateur golf champion, who was shot in the back by one of the escaping gunmen during a raid at the Embassy Club, is recovering, but he has decided to stay in hospital until a further improvement is shown and he will not be able to play golf for some time.

He has already missed his chance of defending his title in the final round of the Davis golf championship.



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"A COMMON COLD" IS SERIOUS.

Preventive Measures to Be Taken.

The "common cold," according to the U.S. Public Health Service, may be an uncommonly serious matter.

In the first place, it may be the forerunner of bronchitis or pneumonia. For this reason, it may actually become a menace to life.

In the second place, the cold is an expensive disease. In the factory and in the school more time is lost from it than from any other malady.

Industry and education are both hard hit and the cost of time lost from work and study is a financial burden. The parent, the wage-earner, and the tax-payer are paying the price. Says Health News, the "organ of the Service (Washington):

Waste of Time. "Since the common cold is such a large factor in the health of the nation, and such a waste of the nation's time, it is of the utmost importance that its ravages be prevented as far as possible.

"As a first principle in prevention, we must recognize that colds are infectious and contagious. Much time and effort have been spent in trying to discover the particular germ responsible for the common cold. The latest work seems to indicate that the cause of this disease is to be found in a little virus, the size of which will pass through a filter and even a high-powered microscope cannot detect the offending organism.

Measures of Protection. What measures of protection should be adopted? We are told: "The best method of protection, for both the sick and the well, is for the patient with a cold to go home to bed, if necessary, and to stay there until he has recovered. The patient needs quiet, rest, and proper care, and he cannot obtain these in offices, shops, or factories. While thus doing the best thing for himself, he is likewise adopting one of the best methods of protecting the general public.

"But the time has not yet come when every one with a cold will retire from public contacts. For this too much to expect in the case of a disease the uncomplicated form of which does not actually force a person to his bed. If he does go out among his fellows, however, he should in common decency make every effort to protect them.

"Every cough and sneeze should be covered to prevent spraying the infection over helpless associates. The patient's hands should be washed many times a day to remove the infection which might otherwise be passed on to some one else. Keeping the hands scrupulously clean is a simple but worthwhile aid to the prophylaxis of the common cold.

"While we should avoid all possible contact with these sufferers in our midst, keeping a safe distance from them whenever possible, we have our own part to play in this matter of protection and prevention.

GUN GIRLS. Four Gangsters Shoot A Man.

Girl gangsters have shot and gravely wounded a man in Birmingham, Alabama, after taking him for a "ride."

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Hong Kong, Thursday, March 31, 1932.

Robt. MacWhirter.

Robert MacWhirter is going home. He has "let the tear down" in the column with which he has so long and so successfully enlightened the front page of our junior morning contemporary. And a column that is going to be missed, I'm telling you. As for the news, make the world-crisis in Kamchatka, what the Japs were doing to Shanghai, the vagaries of the dollar—all that had to wait till we knew what had happened to Archie MacPherson, or what was the latest from the Linkumoddie front, or how Robert was getting on at the dancing. We could have better missed a better writer, for Robert had the gift. The gift of writing as he talks, the gift of Addison, and Hazlitt, and er.... Tom Wright; picturesque, trenchant, human. An artist in humanism, that's Robert MacWhirter!

But he couldn't help himself. It was born in him. For we have the honour to know Linkumoddie well, we even know the suburb that can claim the honour to be his birthplace. It rejoices in the euphonious title of "The Bogle Hole," and is inhabited only and entirely by artists. We have this on the unimpeachable authority of the local "Pols," though he did not state the fact exactly as we have done so. He said:—

"Naething but a when dawned ponchers and horse-couplers; not an honest day's work among the lot of them!"

And if poaching and horse-coupling are not among the Arts—well, we ask you!

Now Robert, listen, before you go a word in your lug! Make a book of them! In this time of general depression the world badly needs cheerful books. Join the ranks of the world's greatest benefactors, Mark Twain, W. W. Jacobs, Wodehouse, and Will Rogers, and make a book of them.

So now the China Mail says Goodbye, Robert, and may joy go with you always! May you come back with the bloom of the heather on your cheek! May you find the Mistress and the Wee Yin in the pink! And for a last heartener take this bit of auld Scots—

"May your lum aye reek bonny!"

Natural History Study.

It is a curious and rather regrettable fact that in the past, the study of natural history has by no means received the attention it should in Hong Kong. In this Colony where certain wild animals and birds abound the inhabitants get to know something about them, but it is often the case that this something is more linked up with legend, superstition or tradition than it is with actual fact. This of course applies chiefly to the natives in the New Territory, where many wild animals have been seen by them, but few concrete cases brought to light.

Of late years matters in this respect have somewhat improved, although ignorance regarding the fauna of the Colony and New Territory is far more widespread than that regarding the flora. This is natural, since a knowledge of the vegetation of the land was necessary in order that its inhabitants should live, far more so in the past than it is to-day.

At the same time it is very obvious that there is a good deal of interest taken in wild animals. One has only to pay an occasional visit to the Botanical Gardens, and although the collection of captive animals and birds is a small one, yet you will always find a number of persons interested in them. Then again one cannot overlook the Hong Kong Aquarium with its varied species of fish, snakes, bears, and other animals, on exhibit to the public, all shown to advantage in its natural surroundings as space affords. Here again one will find a crowd of spectators interested in animal life.

But since it is neither practicable nor humane to keep many animals alive, and caged up, the educational advantages of a zoological collection would probably be considerably enhanced were there added to it a museum of preserved animals, which it should certainly not be very difficult to constitute were it started and pursued upon the right lines, and not allowed to get into the state of the exhibits which were on view in the so-called museum situated at the City Hall. Such a museum would be an expensive item, but from the educational point of view it would be money well laid out.

Two years ago the Hong Kong Naturalist came into being and there is not doubt that this excellent journal has greatly increased the interest for the study of natural history in Hong Kong. The latest number of this journal, just published, contains a variety of nature articles and many illustrations, and is but another tribute to its capable editor.

News in Brief.

After a quarrel over gambling matters at 17 Bridges Street, a woman, Kwok Kan (68) is stated to have taken an overdose of opium, and is now in hospital.

The annual dinner of the Law and Commerce Society, of the Hong Kong University, will be held at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, on Saturday, April 9, at 8.30 p.m.

Water Police yesterday found the body of a male, identified as Ip Yu (25) who accidentally fell off a cargo boat on March 22 last. The body was removed to the mortuary.

An enjoyable and largely attended flannel dance for members of the Central British Association and their friends, was held in the Central British School hall last night.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ended March 12, 1932 amounted to 91,632 metric tons, and the sales during the period to 94,101 metric tons.

Messrs. A. Goeke & Co. inform us that the Societe Internationale de Placements, Basle, have cabled that the official quotation in Basle for one sub-unit of the International Investment Deposit Certificate yesterday was, £2 15s. 6d.

As a result of accidentally falling down the embankment between Caine Road and Caine Lane, Wu Ka-cheng (16) a student, living at 33 Circular Path, sustained injuries to his head, causing his removal to the Government Civil Hospital.

The return of notifiable diseases for the 24 hours ended yesterday shows one case each of small-pox, diphtheria, and enteric fever (all in Victoria district), and four of cerebro-spinal fever (two each in Victoria, and Old and New Kowloon districts).

Tam Shing-wai, master of a cargo boat, in a report to the Police stated that whilst sailing his boat, of 23 piculs capacity, off Black Point on Tuesday, it capsized owing to heavy seas, and sank. His daughter, Chan Tai (14) and Tam Sun (33), a member of the crew, are missing and it is feared that they have been drowned.

The Sando Weight-lifting Club has been opened at 19, Queen's Road Central, in premises formerly occupied by Miss Daisy O'Keefe. Classes will be held under the tuition of Mr. A. D. Spoor and other resident "strong men." Body building by scientific exercises is the chief aim, but general physical culture is included.

The popularity of English talkies was again amply demonstrated yesterday evening, when a special return showing for one day only, of "Canaries Sometimes Sing" was given at the King's Theatre. That such a riotous comedy can be enacted by a cast of four people and without a change of scene, is sufficient tribute to the actors, and makes criticism superfluous. "Sunshine Susie" which comes to the King's Theatre on Sunday will be the next British picture to be shown in the Colony.

BANISHEE RETURNS TO COLONY.

Looking for Clansman to Worship Tombs.

A Chinese banishee who appeared before Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning, when questioned, admitted three previous convictions for larceny, and returned from banishment on five occasions, his last sentence being in April last year.

Defendant, in reply to the Bench, said that he came here to look for a clansman in order that they might return to the country to worship tombs. His Worship passed sentence of one year's hard labour.

FIRE FLOAT'S RECORD JOURNEY.

Fast Time Registered in Trip to Aberdeen.

EMERGENCY CALL.

At 11 p.m. last night, fire broke out on the ground floor of 45-46, Main Street, Aberdeen, occupied by the Tai Shing rice and grocery shop, owned by Mr. Li Yau-tsun, C.B.E., the well-known local merchant. Both the ground and first floors of the building were severely damaged and gutted, whilst house No. 47 also suffered slight damage. The fire, it is stated, originated in a heap of firewood, but the actual cause of the outbreak is at present unknown.

Two fire engines from Central Fire Station and a firefloat were despatched to the scene, and on arrival found the conflagration well under way. The firemen put up a great fight, and the flames were extinguished within two hours.

The firefloat, it may be mentioned, completed the trip from Hong Kong to Aberdeen in just over three-quarters of an hour, which time is stated to be the fastest yet for the trip.

The stock in the shop was insured for \$4,000.

KOWLOON DOCK FERRY IN COLLISION.

Hits Motor Boat Lying Off Queen's Pier.

\$400 DAMAGE.

A collision occurred in the harbour yesterday morning, between the Kowloon Dock ferry and a motorboat.

Chan Ches, coxswain of the motorboat Australia, of the Union Motor Boat Company, reported to the Police that his boat was berthed alongside Queen's Statue Pier, with the bow towards the prayer wall. The Kowloon Dock ferry Kau Lung Shun-O, in trying to come alongside on the same side of the wharf, struck the port side of the motorboat, causing damage to the extent of \$400.

PRINCELY GIFT OF £2,000 A YEAR.

To The London School Of Economics.

FROM LEVERHULME TRUST.

The Leverhulme Trustees have made the handsome gift to the London School of Economics of £2,000 a year to provide scholarships.

The scholarships will be known as Leverhulme Scholarships, and it is understood that they will be of two kinds.

Some will be awarded to boys and girls as entrance scholarships, and some will be reserved for evening students and awarded on their work at the intermediate examination to enable them to become full-time day students for the two final years of the degree course.

The entrance scholarships are especially designed to make it possible for young people whose homes are in the provinces to go to the University of London to study economics and commerce, although Londoners will not be excluded from competing also.

Their value will be £50 for a student living at home.

The School of Economics has a growing demand for places from students outside the London area, and the Leverhulme Trustees could not have met a more real need.

In addition to the undergraduate scholarships, it is open to the school also to use some of the money for grants to students undertaking research into economic problems.

Lord Leverhulme, who died in 1925, was well-known for his commercial philanthropy.

He left certain funds to his Trustees to be devoted, in the first instance, to the assistance of "his own people," members of the Commercial Travellers' Association, of which he was president for a number of years, and those occupied in the grocers' vocation.

Lord Leverhulme was originally a grocer's assistant. He also left a fund to be devoted to education and research, and it is from this fund that the Trustees are making the grant for the scholarships.

Correspondence.

PROTECTION WITHIN THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

[To the Editor of "China Mail."]

Sir,—I congratulate you upon your leading article on the above subject and I believe that British public opinion here is in complete agreement with your views.

Unfortunately there is no responsible Body to further British commercial interests here. The European Chamber of Commerce cannot do anything in this respect as it is an international Body. The local Government from whom much might be expected are hostile—may be unconsciously so—to British interests as they buy foreign goods in preference to British.

A Departmental Chief who sits on the Legislative Council told me that the Government was out to buy at the cheapest price they could irrespective of quality or origin of the goods and that the "buy British" policy of the Government was purely lip service reserved for Council Meetings. The Home Government is tackling this subject very seriously but the local Government's attitude is tragic and, if persisted in, cannot fail to affect adversely British commercial interests in China.

I realise how easy it is to criticise the Government as they are unable to reply and I am therefore prepared to adduce evidence in support of my statements to anyone who cares to get into touch with me.

Yours, etc.,

BRITON.

INDIAN ARMY CADETS.

800 Aspirants for "Sandhurst."

New Delhi, Feb. 29.
Nearly 800 applications were received by the Public Services Commission in the first fortnight following the notification that inquiries would be entertained for particulars and entry forms for the competitive examination for the Indian Military Academy which is to open at Dehra Dun at the beginning of October, and still they come.

That is the embarrassing, if encouraging, problem set the authorities by the first popular flush of enthusiasm for a new and comparatively inexpensive opening to an honourable career.

It is embarrassing for a number of obvious reasons. It is certain, as similar experience of the past shows, that nothing like all these first inquiries will be followed up by the applicants themselves, once they have received the particulars sought, but even if 300 of them eventually decide to enter for the fifteen places open to competition, the examiners will be overburdened in the short time available.

The medical test will be held in a number of provincial centres on or about June. About July 14, the competitive paper examination will be held in Delhi and the interview and record board will meet concurrently.

The selection of Indian Army Cadets will come later. It should be noted that every Indian Army candidate must be under 25, not under the rank of Lance-Naik and a holder of the Indian Army special certificate for which an examination will be held early in August.

I gather (writes the Statesman's New Delhi correspondent) that several people are inquiring whether the holding of a university degree does not exempt an Army candidate from the special certificate examination. That is impossible since the latter requires some military knowledge. It is expected that the nominations of Indian Army Cadets will be made about August 20.

Perhaps the men who will have most anxiety are those who, because they are debarred by age from entering for the open examination, have enlisted in the ranks of the Army with a view to their nomination to the college.

Lance-Naiks, or vacancies for Lance-Naiks, cannot be made in a day so there may be delay for some and disappointment for those who are near the maximum age for nomination to the college.

Company Meetings.

UNION WATERBOAT CO.

EARNING POWER GOOD; BUT WORKING EXPENSES HIGHER.

Due to Exchange Slump.

At the annual meeting of the Union Waterboat Company, which was held yesterday afternoon, the Chairman, Mr. J. P. Warren, said inter alia:

"After writing off \$8,365.57 against depreciation of boats and adding \$4,086.48 to the Insurance Fund to cover the Company's proportion of Insurance, the net profit for the year is \$19,293.75, which together with \$4,114.65 brought forward from last year, makes a total of \$23,408.40 for appropriation.

"It is proposed to deal with same as follows:—To pay a dividend of 50 cents per share on 38,813 shares which will absorb \$19,406.50; Carry forward to 1932 \$4,001.90.

"The working account shows that 548,675 tons of water were sold as against 531,622 in 1930, the gross revenue being \$8,309.50 in excess of last year, which proves that the Company's earning power has not declined but our working expenses are \$22,328 higher, mostly due to the slump in exchange. The main increase is in the Marine Insurance of our boats which cost \$7,139 more than in the previous year on account of their higher value in Dollars due to low exchange. This has, however, readjusted itself by about 25 per cent. on account of appreciation in exchange, and this saving will be reflected in this year's accounts."

On the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. W. Van Eps, the report and statement of accounts were carried unanimously.

Mr. Warren was supported by Messrs. C. Gordon Mackie, R. G. Shewan, W. H. Lebert and T. Yamamoto (Consulting Committee). Mr. D. E. de Souza (Secretary) and Messrs. J. Owen Hughes, W. Van Eps, and A. W. Hayward (Shareholders).

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

New Plant Now Producing.

Mr. C. A. da Rosa, who presided at the annual meeting of the above company, held at noon to-day, stated, inter alia:

The result of the year's working is a profit of \$325,422.12 after providing for depreciation in the sum of \$122,494.23 and paying for extraordinary and non-recurrent charges for re-conditioning certain of our old assets. This, I am pleased to say, is a very decided improvement upon the figures for 1930.

Business during the year under review, in particular towards the latter part of the period, was fairly satisfactory, and although sales in Malaya have decreased slightly recently, due to the incidence of the rise in exchange, our trade in South China is showing a satisfactory expansion. In this connection, I think it should be mentioned that, in spite of the stimulation which has been given to our business by events in China, we feel fairly confident that we shall be able to hold the additional business in South China, obtained during the past year.

You will observe on the debit side of the Profit and Loss Account a sum of \$2,170.33 under the heading "Repairs to damage by typhoon Hok Un Works"; this is the only item of an extraordinary nature and does not mean that we are not insured against this risk, but represents sums spent in repairs below the franchise stipulated by the underwriters.

Reserve for New Works.

Turning to the Balance Sheet, you will notice that the Reserve for the New Works at Hok Un, which has been a familiar item in our Balance Sheet for many years, has now disappeared. It has been the means of retaining in the Company a part of the profits earned in the past, and as the necessity of its application towards the cost of the New Plant does not arise, the amount thereof, namely, \$600,000, has now been transferred to the General Reserve, which will now stand at \$1,000,000. This sum will, in future, be available for general purposes as circumstances may require, and will also a further \$100,000, should you agree to the allocation of profits proposed by your Board. In addition to the eleven lakhs of dollars, just referred to, we have another amount of \$427,578.59 under Exchange Reserve, which sum has been specifically earmarked

ed towards the reduction of the cost of the New Plant, and will be so applied at a later date.

Production Started.

Expenditure on the New Plant has, to the date of the Balance Sheet, amounted to \$2,274,457.14; and this large sum, as also important amounts on other assets, have been met out of our resources except to the extent of the overdraft with our Bankers. Whilst on this subject, I would mention that the Plant actually started producing Cement on October 9 last year, and was taken over by us from the Contractors on January 22, 1932. As the Plant was actually producing in October last, your Board deemed it advisable to commence allowing for depreciation as from that date, such depreciation being shown in the Balance Sheet in the sum of \$43,370.51. The next instalment of our debt of \$125,000—to Messrs. Vickers-Armstrongs, Ltd., will fall due in February, 1933, and the balance at regular intervals thereafter. Before leaving the subject of the New Plant, I would like to draw your attention to the fact that the Cement produced therefrom amply passes the 1931 British Standard Specification for Portland Cement, which specification is very much stricter in every way than its predecessors.

With regard to the Old Plant at Hok Un, manufacture of Cement therefrom will be continued as long as the present demand exists, after which the question of its dismantlement and its replacement by a third modern unit, similar to the two units recently installed, will no doubt have the full consideration of your Board.

I will now formally propose that the Report of the Directors and the Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1931, as presented, be adopted and that the appropriations recommended by your Directors, namely:

To pay a dividend of 45 cents per share on the Old Shares	\$180,000.00
To pay a dividend of 6 cents per share on the New Shares	24,000.00
To place to General Reserve	100,000.00
To place to Reserve for Staff Passages	10,000.00
To carry forward to New Account	99,843.88
	\$413,843.88

be carried into effect. Seconded by Mr. E. M. Raymond and carried unanimously.

Other Business.
On the proposal of Mr. F. C. Barry, seconded by Mr. Frank Austin, Messrs. Li Tse-fong, and C. F. Mendham were re-elected Directors for the ensuing year. Messrs. Linstead & Davis, and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, were re-elected Auditors on the proposal of Mr. N. V. A. Croucher, seconded by Mr. J. A. B. Silva.

Attendance.
Supporting the Chairman were Messrs. J. H. Taggart, J. Scott Harston, Li Tse-fong, A. G. Shewan and C. F. Mendham (Directors), and Allan Keith (Secretary).

Shareholders present were H. A. de Figueiredo, Chiu Ho-ping, Frank Austin, K. W. Wong, E. M. Raymond, F. C. Barry, H. J. M. de Figueiredo, N. V. A. Croucher, J. A. B. Silva, F. M. Ellis, P. H. Sin, Yeung Yau, Leung Yau-cheng, Liang Man-i, G. A. Harriman, A. Zimmermann, A. H. Carroll, and F. E. Silva.

HONG KONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NO DIVIDEND.

Presiding at the annual meeting of the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., this morning, Mr. J. P. Warren, in proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, said, inter alia:

The gross profit is \$73,000 less than last year, the difference being mainly due to fluctuating exchange and shortage of work on account of worldwide economic conditions. Stock in hand amounts to \$2,182,131.63 as against \$2,205,091.96 at the end of 1930, and is valued well below the present market price.

The overdraft is about \$550,000 more than in the previous year and is mainly accounted for by the cost

of the completion of No. 1 Dock and lack of revenue.

Interest charges are \$50,000 more than in 1930 and the whole of same this year has been charged to working, the extension to No. 1 Dock being now completed.

After bringing in \$300,000 from reserve and writing off depreciation on Buildings and Plant, there is a balance at credit of profit and loss of \$5,405.88 which with \$150,282.08 brought forward from last year, leaves \$155,687.96 to be carried forward to next account.

Depreciation amounts to \$130,366.87 as against \$143,018.50 and is considered ample.

Plant and Buildings.
Your plant and buildings are in excellent order and the upkeep of same has been paid out of revenue.

During the year we constructed eight small vessels mostly motor driven, which have proved satisfactory to their respective owners. There were no very extensive repair jobs, but we dry-docked over 600,000 tons of shipping, which considering the times is fairly satisfactory.

We have recently contracted for some new construction work which will help to keep some of our shipbuilders employed in 1932, but enquiries for new work, particularly of any importance, are few and far between, and the competition for them is considerable.

No Dividend.

It is a matter of great regret to your directors that it has been impossible to declare a dividend since the year 1924, but some of you, if you have perused the Balance Sheet of similar companies in other parts of the world, will, I am sure, not be too pessimistic of the future of your Company.

During the past year it became apparent that our earning power was not strong enough to cover our overhead and certain economies were put into force which have reflected themselves in the last quarter's working.

Even these were not considered sufficient and further cuts have been made in Sterling Salaries, which, together with the previous reductions, should reduce the overhead by approximately \$250,000 per annum.

This of course has meant considerable sacrifices on the part of our Sterling Salaried European Staff, and while regretting that we are not in a position to pay a dividend, your Directors trust that Shareholders will realise that the best is being done to keep this concern on an economic basis without impairing its efficiency.

The year under review has been a most anxious and disastrous one for most trading and industrial concerns, and probably none have been harder hit than Shipping, Shipbuilding and Docking Companies.

Seconded by the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson and carried unanimously.

Other Business.
On the proposal of Mr. F. Austin, seconded by Mr. Wong Ping-sun, Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. W. H. Bell were re-elected as Directors for the ensuing year.

The confirmation of the election of Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie to the Board of Directors, was proposed by Mr. Chan Sui-ling and seconded by Mr. Lo Koon-hang.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected Auditors on the proposal of Mr. N. V. A. Croucher, seconded by Mr. Shum Hip-tong.

Attendance.

Supporting the Chairman were the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Messrs. Alan Cameron, A. H. White, W. H. Bell, F. A. Joseph (Directors), R. M. Dyer (Chief Manager), and E. L. Hosie (Secretary).

Shareholders present were Messrs. Frank Austin, Shum Hip-tong, Wong Ping-sun, Lo Koon-hang, Chan Sui-ling, N. V. A. Croucher and Pun Hui-cho.

Guilty of murder and domestic infelicity and branded as an intractable savage, George, a Himalayan bear, became altogether too great a problem for the authorities of the Alpbere Zoo, so they sent him to Dublin. There he lured a friendly Irish keeper into a false sense of camaraderie. It was then that George gave vent to the feelings that he had been storing up upon cover of the "moroseness" exhibited during the voyage. Casting aside all pretence at amiability, he made for the keeper in a mad dash and succeeded in inflicting severe injuries before the victim could make his escape.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY MEETING.

Informal Dance at Peninsula.

MR. E. COCK'S ADDRESS.

The annual meeting of St. George's Society was held in Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's Board Room yesterday. It was decided that, in the place of the Ball abandoned from Twelfth Night, an informal dance should be held at the Peninsula Hotel on St. George's night.

Mr. E. Cock, presided and, addressing the meeting said inter alia:

"We had the extreme mortification of having to put off the Ball which it has been our custom to hold on Twelfth Night. Quick decision was necessary and we had to consider and choose between indefinite postponement or cancellation. Postponement for a fortnight might not have been sufficient, for a month would have coincided with the Chinese New Year period, six weeks would have come to Race week and proximity to other National functions, and since so many of our best supporters book their engagements for weeks ahead, it appeared likely that to defer would spell failure. There was no time to canvass for members' opinions and the committee was reluctantly compelled to abandon the Ball. If any member feels disappointed he may find some consolation in the contemplation of my greater discomfort."

"We had an earlier disappointment in having to abandon our 'Garden Party' at the Hong Kong Cricket Club but the concert to the troops on the evening of St. George's Day was, I think, a pronounced success. "My term as President of St. George's Society finishes now. A new lamp will be kindled from the flame I have carried for the year. I am deeply sensible of the honour you conferred on me a year ago and I beg to thank the Past President and the outgoing committee for their help and support during the year. Our thanks are due specially to Mr. P. S. Cassidy for auditing the accounts."

On being seconded by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, the report and statement of accounts were approved.

Election of Officers.

The following officers were elected to serve on the committee for the ensuing year: President—Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O.B.E.; Vice-President—Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson; General Committee—Messrs. W. A. Cornell, L. C. F. Bellamy, V. M. Grayburn, F. C. Hall, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, V. C. Labrum, Sir William Hornell, P. S. Cassidy, Bentley, J. D. Danby, the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, and A. B. Raworth.

On the suggestion of Mr. Bellamy it was decided to hold an informal dance on St. George's Night instead of the Ball on Twelfth Night.

Messrs. Linstead and Davies were re-elected Secretaries and Treasurers.

POLICEMAN IN TROUBLE.

Fined \$100 or Two Months' Hard.

The case in which a Shantung constable, No. D96, Miao Fung-hau, was charged at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court with larceny of \$1, and with misconducting himself as a Police Officer, came to a conclusion yesterday.

Mr. L. H. C. Calthrop, A.S.P., appeared for the Crown and Mr. M. A. da Silva represented defendant.

Defendant was alleged to have entered No. 1, Argyle Street while the inmates were playing mah-jongg and taken from the table \$1 in small money, and on being questioned by one of the players he is alleged to have drawn his revolver, but was disarmed.

After hearing the evidence Mr. Fraser dismissed the larceny charge, and imposed a fine of \$100 or two months' hard labour on the second charge.

THE EUROPEAN Y.M.C.A.

Annual General Meeting Yesterday.

SOUND FINANCIAL POSITION.

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton presided at the annual general meeting of the European Y.M.C.A., which was held in the new West Lounge of the Kowloon Building, last evening.

After dealing with the various activities of the Association, including Sport, and the Literary and Debating Section, the Chairman went on to refer to the opening of the new wing by H.E. the Governor, remarking that a pleasing feature of the new wing was that it had made possible the formation of a Ladies' Section. He then proceeded:

Finances.
"Our financial position is satisfactory; the excess of income over expenditure for the year was \$7,492.56 and after transferring \$20,000 from the general surplus to the new premises fund and writing off \$5,070 from the buildings, \$130 from the tennis pavilion, \$3,650 from the furniture and fittings, \$1,618.75 from the tennis court and \$112 from the garage we carry forward \$11,159.21."

He welcomed back Sir Henry Pollock, and expressed thanks to the various officials, and concluded:

"Organisation, unless it is backed by the loyal support of the members, will never make a successful Y.M.C.A. I am sure that this support will be continued and that the future prospects of our Association are such that we can confidently say that 'the best is yet to be' in the future of the Hong Kong Y.M.C.A."

Election of Officers.

Then followed the election of three directors. Mr. J. C. M. Grenham proposed that the Dean the Very Rev. A. Swann, Mr. C. C. Hickling and Mr. P. S. Cassidy be elected. The proposal was seconded by Mr. A. C. Jeffreys and carried unanimously.

Mr. P. S. Cassidy, in proposing a vote of thanks to the retiring President, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, spoke appreciatively of his services during his two years of presidency.

Personal Par.

The forthcoming weddings are announced. Mr. Leung Hau-kwan of No. 12, Shan Kwong Road, Hong Kong, to Miss Mary Kwan Foy, of No. 28, Leighton Hill Road, Hong Kong.

Mr. Liu Yan-mun, of 19, High Street, Hong Kong, to Miss Lau Yuk-lin, of No. 89, High Street, Hong Kong.

Mr. Chih Kl-sau, Chinese Maritime Customs, of York Building, Hong Kong, to Miss Lau Shiu-ching of the same address.

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HAROLD T. CREASY,
Director of Public Works,
24th March, 1932.

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Hong Kong, 31st March, 1932.

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ON
FRIDAY, April 1, 1932,
commencing at 2.30 p.m.,
at No. 1, Torres Buildings,
Kowloon.

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LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states: The market opened with general enquiries for most of the investment section, but the volume of business was somewhat restricted, owing to small offerings. Here and there, rates were slightly marked up.

Sales.
Hong Kong Banks, \$1,475.
Hotels, \$183; Cum. Rights.
Hong Kong Lands, \$77.
Hong Kong Trams, \$21.
H.K. Electric, \$72½/73.
H.K. Ropes, \$17¼ Cum. Div.
Dairy Farms, \$28½.
Watsons (Rights), \$3½.
Constructions (new), \$1.95.
Govt. Loans, 3½ per cent. Prem.

Buyers.
Hong Kong Banks, \$1,470.
Union Insurance, \$450.
Douglases, \$27.
Benguet, \$12¼.
H.K. and K. Wharves, \$142.
Providents (old), \$4¼. X. Div.
Providents (new), \$2¼ X. Div.
Hotels, (Rights), \$2.60.
Hong Kong Lands, \$75¼.
Chinese Estates, \$95.
Hong Kong Trams, \$21.
H.K. Electric, \$73.
Macao Electric, \$24¼.
Cements (combined), \$18.90.
Watsons, \$15½.
Watsons (Rights), \$3½.
Lane, Crawfords (old), \$5½.
Sinceres, \$15¼.
Amusement, \$20.80.
Constructions (old), \$6.15.
Constructions (new), \$1.90.
Govt. Loans, 3½ Premium.

Sellers.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 15.
Star Ferries, \$32½.
Yauamati Ferries, \$37½.
Telephones (P.F.), \$24.
Malabon Sugars, \$22.
H.K. Ropes, \$17¼ Cum. Div.
South China Enterprises, \$10.
Govt. Loans, 4 per cent. Premium.

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The loneliness of girls from the provinces, who spend friendless lives in the million-peopled City of London, was voiced during a discussion at the new central club, in Great Russell-street, of the Young Women's Christian Association. Miss Amy Snelson said that large numbers of girls from Scotland, Ireland, Wales, and every country of England found London not so beautiful as they imagined when they first arrived. There was the terrible loneliness of "digs". A Scottish girl had just said to her, "Have you ever looked in a London cafe on Sunday afternoon and seen the number of girls who sit at the tables as long as they dare just because they hate to go back to their 'digs'?" Another girl had said, "On Saturday I used to leave my office, and sometimes I never spoke to a soul again till Monday morning when I got back to the office."

The Bishop of Stepney, added Miss Snelson, had said that an educated girl from a nice home in the North of England told him she was so lonely in London that on Saturday afternoon when she went out into Oxford Street, if anyone had spoken to her she would have answered, "I do realize, I had said the bishop, 'how lonely it must be in this great London of ours'."

Lady Stamp mentioned that girls could "bring their sweethearts with them to the lounge and restaurant."

Lady Selby-Bigge, the chairman, said that it was cheerfulness that made the world go round and brought out the beauty of life.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Opening Daily Official Quotations, March 31, 1932.

NEXT SETTLEMENT DAY: TUESDAY, 26 APRIL, 1932.

STOCK	Buy and sell	Sell and buy	Open	Close	Fin real	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Feb. 20, 32
(Loan Reg.).....						
Chartered Bank.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Merchants Bk., Ltd. A & B.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Sep. 8, 31
Bank of Asia.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 2, 32
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) May 19, 32
Union Ins.	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) May 29, 32
China Underwriters.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) May 29, 32
China Fire Ins.	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) May 29, 32
H. K. Fire Ins.	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Shipping.						
Douglases.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Last dividend for 1931..... Mar. 4, 32
H. K. Steamships.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Last dividend for 1931..... June 19, 32
Indo-China (Pref.).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) May 29, 32
(Ord.).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) July 6, 32
Shells Bearer.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Union Waterboats.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Mining.						
Benguet.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Fourth Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Dec. 19, 31
Kallian Mining Ad. s/.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Dec. 19, 31
Langkat (Single).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) May 29, 32
S'hai Exploration.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) May 29, 32
Loans.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Feb. 6, 32
Rauha.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 15, 32
Venezuela Gold Fields.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & K. Wharves.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 10, 32
H. K. & W. Docks.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
South Ch. Motors (A).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 24, 32
China Provident (old).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Oct. 2, 32
(new).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 6, 32
Hongkong.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) July 29, 32
N. Engineering.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Shanghai Docks.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
H. & S. Hotels (C.R.).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 15, 32
(Right).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Feb. 15, 32
H.K. Lands.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Shanghai Lands.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Feb. 29, 32
Humphreys.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 2, 32
H. K. Realities.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Jan. 30, 32
Chinese Estates.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Cotton Mills.						
Ewo Cottons.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Shanghai Cotton.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Dec. 19, 31
Zoong Sings.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Oct. 8, 32
Public Utilities.						
H. K. Tramways.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Feb. 17, 32
Peak Trams (old).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) June 15, 32
(new).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Feb. 11, 32
Star Ferries.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) June 29, 32
Yauamati Ferries.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Dec. 19, 31
China Light (old).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 15, 32
(new).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
H. K. Electric.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Ireland.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Sandakan Lights.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 6, 32
H. K. Tels. fully paid.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Feb. 15, 32
(part paid).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Feb. 6, 32
China Buses.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
S'port Tractors (old).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
(Pref.).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Industrials.						
Malabar Sugars.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 6, 32
Cald. Mag. Ord.	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 6, 32
(Pref.).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Oct. 9, 32
Canton Iron.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Cements (old).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
(new).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
H. K. Ropes.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
China Agriculture.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farms.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 6, 32
Watsons.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 6, 32
(Right).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Apr. 9, 32
Der A Wings.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Lane Crawford (old).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
(new).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Machinists.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Sincera.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Wm. Powells.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Miscellaneous.						
H.K. Amusements.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Sept. 8, 32
Ch. Entertainment.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Mar. 6, 32
S. C. Enterprises.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Macao "Geybouds".....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Constructions (Old).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
(New).....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
E. Ind. G. Bonds.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
H.K. Gov. Loans.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
Asia Realities.....	1470	1475	1470	1475	1475	Final Div. 1931-1932 (making \$3 for 1931) Pending
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Captain Pritchard Exonerated From All Blame Venezia---Sui Tai Collision

The Court of Enquiry, held at the Marine Court, Harbour Office yesterday, to enquire into the circumstances surrounding the collision last month of the s.s. Sui Tai and the T.S. m.v. Venezia, came to a decision in the afternoon, when the master of the s.s. Sui Tai, Capt. T. Pritchard was exonerated from all blame.

Giving evidence, Capt. Pritchard described the clearing of his vessel from Macao at 2 p.m. on March 12. After clearing the Beacon, the engines were put at full speed, which was about 10 knots, and after the course was set he left the bridge, the weather then being clear, but cloudy and overcast.

Later on hearing the engine room telegraph he returned to the bridge, and found the weather was becoming foggy with a visibility of about one mile. At 3.09 p.m. the weather was improving, but witness remained on the bridge and kept the whistle blowing. At 3.43 p.m. when abeam of the northern extremity of Cheung Chau a thick fog suddenly fell and speed was reduced to half.

They sighted the Venezia at 3.46 p.m. on the starboard bow when she was about two cables length away. He sounded two short blasts to indicate to the Venezia that he was going to keep on the starboard helm, and then put his engines full speed astern. Witness then walked amidship and heard a

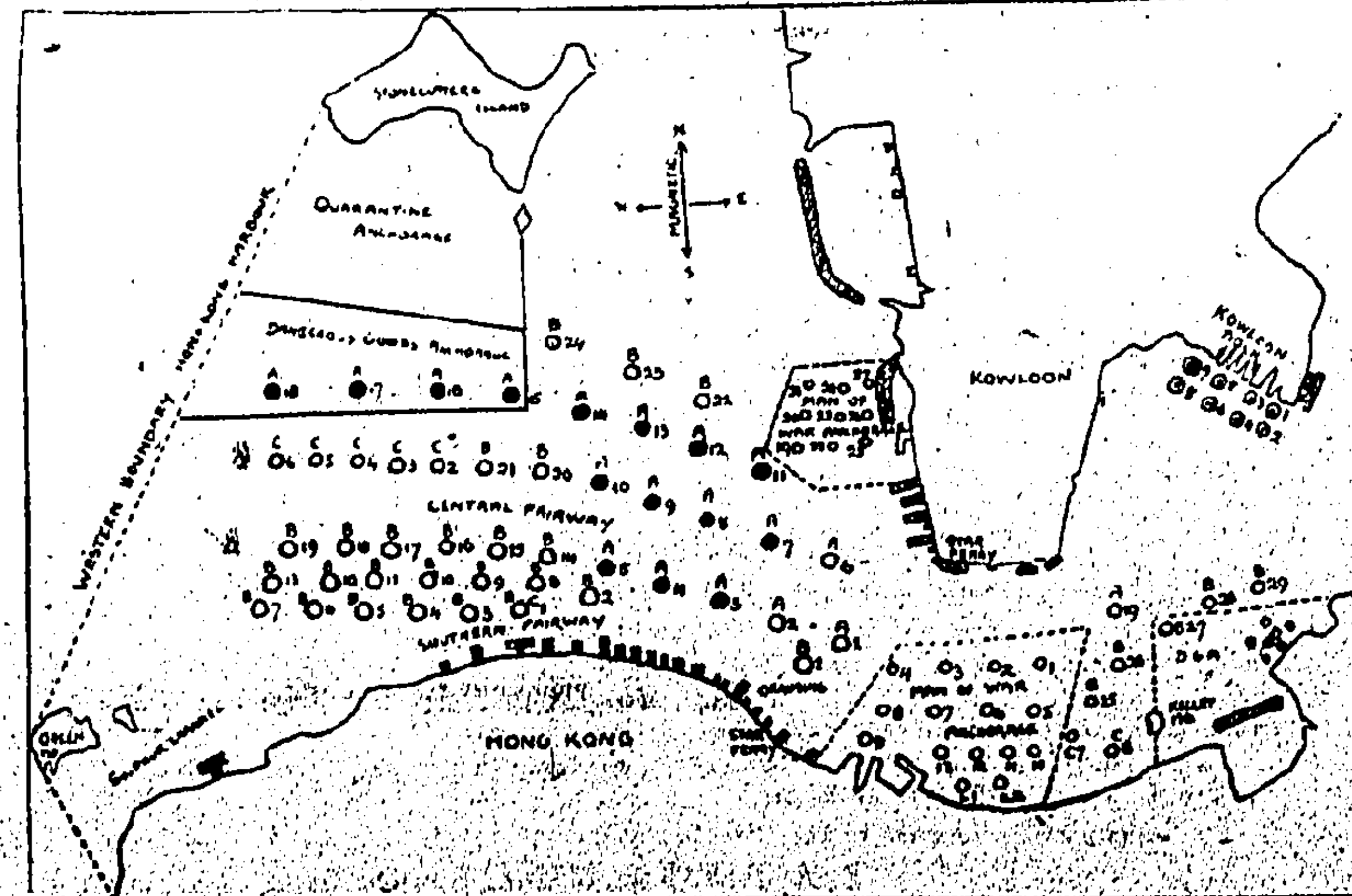
BRITISH SHIPPING INDUSTRY.

How It Is Affected by Tariffs.

The effect of tariffs on the British shipping industry is discussed in "Lloyd's List" review of 1931.

Mr. A. L. Ayre, a former president of the Shipbuilding Employers' Federation, writes: "British shipbuilders have no desire to do other than 'Buy British.' But a ship is an article whose use is on the high seas, continuously engaged in international trade, and it is an essential aim in the economic policy of the British shipbuilding industry to provide British shipowners with British ships at capital costs as low as other nationals are able to obtain them in their own countries. An indiscriminate application of a general tariff would be a serious matter for the shipbuilding industry of Britain and would have serious repercussions on British shipowners should an increase in the cost of ships and of their maintenance be brought about in that way. Certainly it is essential that, in connection with the introduction of any tariff, whether emergency or permanent, the special position of the shipbuilding industry should receive the fullest consideration if its very existence is not to be endangered."

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A SHIPPING CONFERENCE.

Reduction of Trans-Atlantic Rates.

DISCUSSIONS AT BRUSSELS.

Rugby, Yesterday. A Conference of Steamship Companies, at which 20 lines are represented, was opened at Brussels this morning to consider reductions in trans-Atlantic passenger rates.

British Companies are known to favour a revision of rates and their representatives have for some months been engaged in discussions with representatives of foreign lines.

Newspapers foreshadow the announcement by the Conference of general reductions of approximately 20 per cent.

Hopes are entertained that the reductions will stimulate trans-Atlantic travel during the coming Summer Season.—British Wireless Service.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—Bridgewater—North arm. Bruce—South wall. Cumberland—North arm. Devonshire—In Taikoo Dock. Folkestone—West wall. Herald—East wall. Hermes—In dock. Marazion—South wall. Medway and Submarines—No. 2 buoy.

Pandora—East wall. Proteus—East wall. Tamar—Basin. Wild Swan—No. 13 buoy. Foreign Men-of-War. Argus—French river gunboat. Helena—American river gunboat.

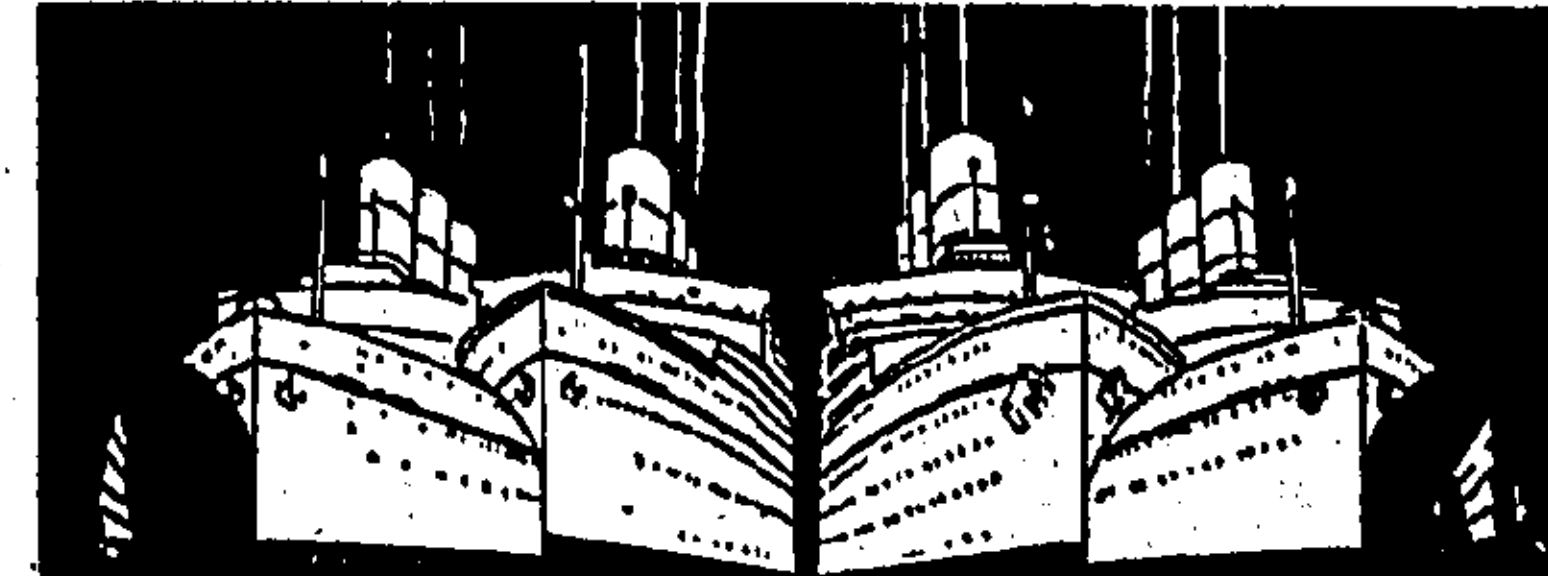
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Consignees of cargo ex s.s. Ben-vorlich are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after April 6.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The B.I. s.s. Talma left Kobe for this port on March 27, and is due here to-morrow.

Mr. R. D. Kitson, president of the National Federation of Iron and Steel Manufacturers, writing on iron and steel, says that the ratio of imports of steel in all forms to the production of steel, which was about 30 per cent. in 1929, has this year been about 55 per cent., and declares: "The position of the British iron and steel industry would be substantially improved if this proportion could be reduced and if the greater portion of the limited demand could be met from home production, and it is strange that the Government have not yet considered that this large import of steel is a clear case of abnormal imports and that they have not included iron and steel in the list of products which it is protecting by means of orders of the Board of Trade."



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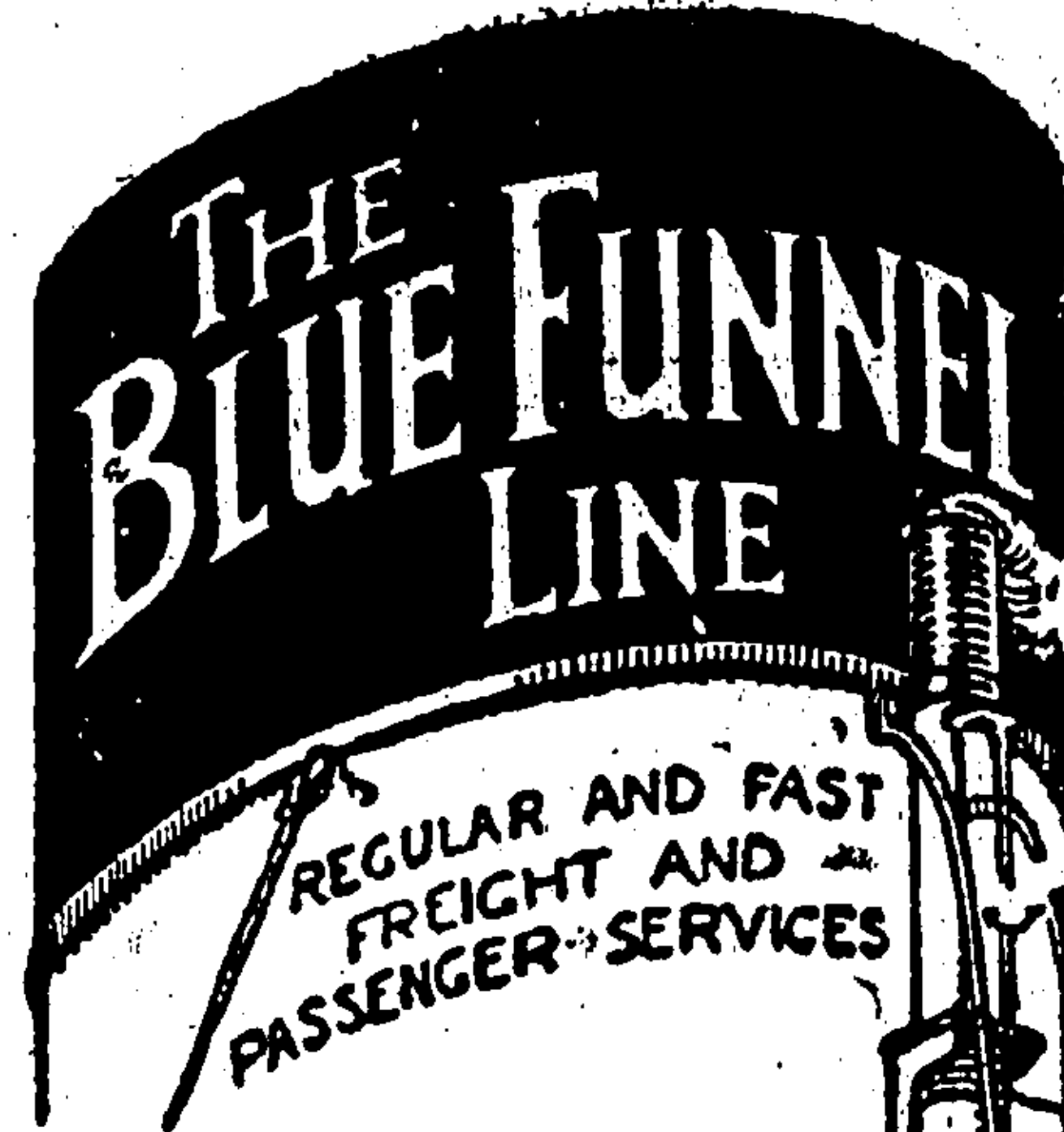
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STEAMER	Dep. Hong Kong	Leave Hong Kong	Leave Manila	Dep. Sydney
CHANGTE	Apr. 12	Apr. 13	Apr. 23	May 1
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CHANGTE	June 10	June 11	June 24	July 1
TAIPING	July 12	July 13	July 25	Aug. 1

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**BURDWAN	6,500	2nd Apr. Noon	Marseilles, London, Havre, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
CORFU	15,000	9th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	23rd Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RANPURA	17,000	7th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*SOMALI	6,800	14th May	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre, H'burg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
CHITRAL	15,000	21st May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RANCHI	17,000	4th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
**BANGALORE	6,500	11th June	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre, H'burg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
NALDERA	16,000	18th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
KAISAR-I-HIND	12,000	2nd July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BHUTAN	6,000	9th July	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre, H'burg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	16th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
MANTUA	11,000	30th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
**SOUDAN	6,800	6th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre, H'burg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	13th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RANPURA	17,000	27th Aug.	Marseilles & London.
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NELLORE	7,000	4th Apr.	
RANPURA	17,000	7th Apr.	
TAKADA	7,000	8th Apr.	
CHITRAL	15,000	21st Apr.	
SIRDHANA	8,000	22nd Apr.	
*BANGALORE	6,500	30th Apr.	
RANCHI	17,000	5th May	
TILAWA	10,000	5th May	
NALDERA	7,000	11th May	
*BHUTAN	6,000	19th May	
KAISAR-I-HIND	12,000	29th May	
NANKIN	7,000	2nd June	
RAJPUTANA	17,000	6th June	
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Tuesday, March 29.
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gapore, buoy No. A6—Gibb,
Livingston & Co.
City of Bagdad, British str., 4,713
tons, Capt. L. S. Jackson, from
Manila, buoy No. A9—Bank
Line.
C. Henri Riviere, French str., 1,355
tons, Capt. P. B. Morganti,
from Pakhoi, buoy No. A14—
Sing Kee.
Chungking, Chinese str., 447 tons,
Capt. K. Shau, from Tourane,
buoy No. B18—Yau Lee & Co.
Ethnan Allen, American str., 4,831
tons, Capt. J. A. Klausin, from
Osaka, Stonecutters Anchorage.
—L. Everett, Inc.
Felix, Roussel, French str., 9,188
tons, Captain Clarke, from
Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf—
M.M. & Co.
Feng Lee, Chinese str., 998 tons,
Capt. Y. Yamaji, from Amoy,
Yaumati Anchorage.—Loong
Tai Hong.
Georges Philippart, French str.,
9,511 tons, Capt. Vig, from
Saigon, Kowloon Wharf—M.M.
& Co.
Kungping, Chinese str., 1,742 tons,
Capt. S. Ross, from Canton,
buoy No. B20—C.M.S.N. & Co.
Mao Lee, Chinese str., 1,209 tons,
Capt. Y. Watanabe, from Can-
ton, buoy No. C1—Yee Tai
Hong.
Nankin, British str., 4,343 tons,
Capt. H. J. Bright, from Moji,
buoy No. A7—M.M. & Co.
Penang, Maru, Japanese str., 3,230
tons, Captain Y. Iida, from
Sakito, buoy No. A11—N.Y.K.
Perseus, British str., 6,335 tons,
Capt. J. Davies, from Shang-
hai, buoy No. A1—B. & S.
Philoctetes, British str., 7,177 tons,
Capt. J. Ramsay, from Singa-
pore, Holt's Wharf—B. & S.
Sandviken, Norwegian str., 1,775
tons, Capt. A. Norvalds, from
Canton, buoy No. B2—J.M. &
Co.
Siddique, Dutch str., 1,001 tons,
Capt. Groot, from Samarinda,
Yaumati Anchorage—J.C.J.L.
Tai Poek, French str., 1,219 tons,
Capt. M. Paul, from K.C. Wan,
C.M.S.N. Wharf—Wo Hop &
Co.
Tjibadak, Dutch str., 7,803 tons,
Capt. J. Blankert, from Bata-
via, buoy No. A12—J.C.J.L.
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buoy No. A19—J.C.J.L.
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Capt. J. Agnew, from Singa-
pore, Holt's Wharf—B. & S.

Umkang, Chinese str., 334 tons,
Captain Ang Say Chooi, from
Amoy, Yaumati Anchorage—
Yee Tai Hong.
Van Heutz, Dutch str., 2,749 tons,
Capt. H. Schreuder, from Sin-
gapore, buoy No. A13—J.C.J.L.
Wednesday, March 30.
G.G. Maurice Long II, French str.,
579 tons, Capt. H. Courgueux,
from Ningpo, buoy No. B17—
Pakhoi & Co.
Kwangtung, British str., 1,572 tons,
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Hong Peng, British str., 2,525 tons,
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Capt. G. J. J. Westers, from
Tegal, Kowloon Bay—J.C.J.L.
Hozan Maru, Japanese str., 1,383
tons, Capt. T. Kawamata, from
Swatow, O.S.K. Wharf—O.S.K.
Manila Maru, Japanese str., 5,919
tons, Capt. S. Hinokuma, from
Singapore, buoy No. A3—
O.S.K.
Norviken, Norwegian str., 1,779
tons, Capt. F. E. Ulstad, from
Canton, buoy No. B16—J.C.J.L.

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Tonkin, for K.C. Wan.
Yuan On, for Swatow.
Tjinegara, for Manila.
Wednesday, March 30.
Ardent, for Bangkok.
Cape Cross, for Calcutta.
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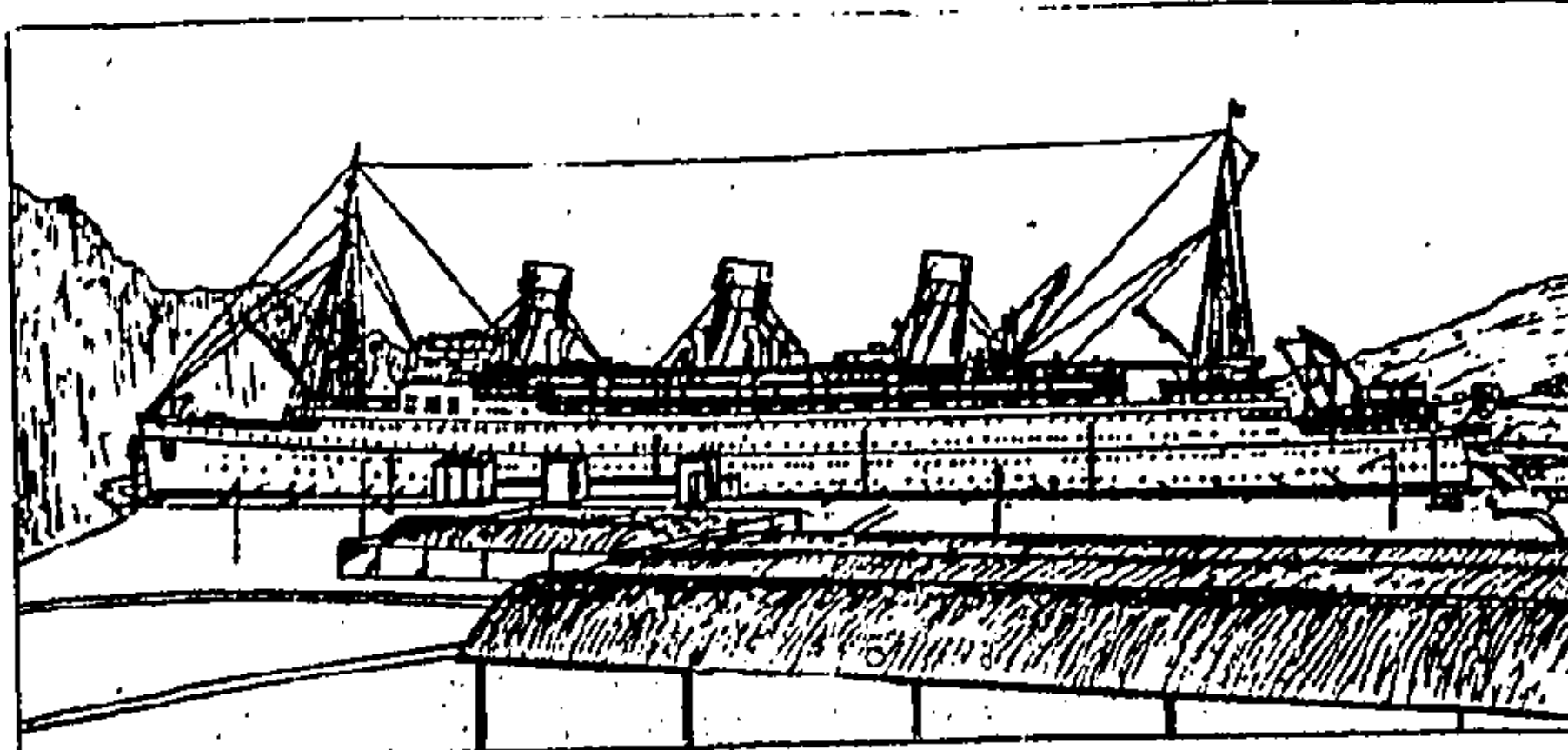
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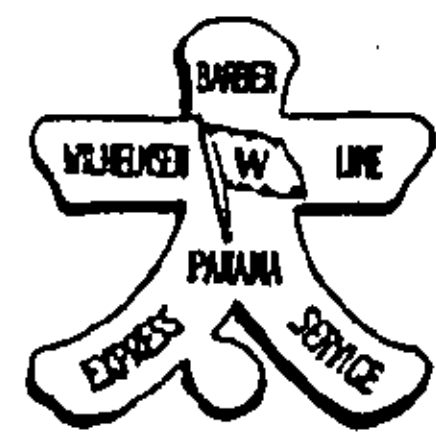
Voo Yang, for Canton.

HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean
time of the meridian of 120 deg. E.;
00h. is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The
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the place and should be added to the
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March 31 to April 6, 1932.

Date		High Water Standard Ht.			Low Water Standard Ht.			
		Mar.	H.	M.	F.	H.	M.	F.
Thurs.	31	..	08	48	4.3	09	58	4.2
			16	28	6.0		—	—
	April							
Fri.	1	..	08	40	4.5	00	58	1.1
			18	05	6.0	11	40	4.0
Sat.	2	..	08	52	4.7	01	40	1.2
			19	16	6.2	12	45	3.6
Sun.	3	..	09	09	5.0	02	14	1.3
			20	09	6.2	13	38	3.1
Mon.	4	..	09	25	5.3	02	39	1.5
			20	50	6.3	14	20	2.7
Tues.	5	..	09	44	5.6	03	00	1.7
			21	29	6.1	15	00	2.2
Wed.	6	..	10	04	6.0	03	20	1.9
			22	05	5.7	15	39	1.9



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Steamer	Leaves Hong Kong	Arrives Wuchow	Leaves Wuchow	Arrives Hong Kong
TAI HING	SUN. 3rd	TUES. 5th	WED. 6th	THURS. 7th
TAI MING	TUES. 5th	THURS. 7th	FRI. 8th	SAT. 9th
TAI HING	FRI. 8th	SUN. 10th	MON. 11th	TUES. 12th
TAI MING	SUN. 10th	TUES. 12th	WED. 13th	THURS. 14th
TAI HING	WED. 13th	FRI. 15th	SAT. 16th	SUN. 17th
TAI MING	FRI. 15th	SUN. 17th	MON. 18th	TUES. 19th
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THE MOTORISTS' PAGE

Henry Ford Takes A Big Risk Ventures Millions On New Motor Car Eight Cylinder Product

Detroit, February 27.

When Henry Ford gives the word for mass production on his new V-eight and improved model-A-four cars throughout the vast organisation of the Ford Motor company, as he will do probably next week, there will be revealed, well under way, one of the greatest epics of modern world industry.

Mr. Ford will start an industrial revolution which will be felt the world round. And to do that he is literally risking a great fortune, writes James Sweinhart to the "Oregonian."

Mr. Ford realises that his own industries alone will not end the depression. But he believes that if he can operate to capacity or nearly so, thousands of other industries will take heart and resume production, and the depression will slowly disappear.

Based on an anticipated production of 1,500,000 cars a year, gross purchases of raw materials and supplies will average more than \$62,000,000 a month. During peak production in previous years purchases have exceeded \$80,000,000 a month.

On this basis Mr. Ford will spend more than \$300,000,000 in Detroit,

Michigan, for raw materials, manufactured supplies, freight and labour, the remainder of 1932. In the Detroit district alone he will employ more than 100,000 men at the standard minimum wage of \$6 a day and upward. The average monthly payroll in the Detroit district will run to more than \$18,000,000 a month. Now it approximates \$10,000,000.

To feed the Ford plants with raw and manufactured materials and goods, more than 6,500 direct and indirect supplies, scattered over the United States, will employ approximately 300,000 men. Of these suppliers, approximately 1,200 are in Detroit and 300 in Michigan outside Detroit.

Industrial Facts and Statistics. To keep the plants going it is estimated there will be a freight

movement of 236,000 inbound and 228,000 outbound cars with a freight bill, paid directly by Mr. Ford to the railroads and shipping companies of the United States, of more than \$86,000,000. Suppliers shipping to Mr. Ford will pay the railroads upward of \$10,000,000 more. Handling the railroad cars will require larger railroad working forces.

In his own mills Mr. Ford will make \$16,500,000 worth of steel. From outside makers he will purchase more than \$47,000,000. A good part of this will be spent in the Detroit industrial district.

Ford production will mean the purchase of \$4,680,000 in gray iron, and \$5,044,000 in malleable castings—most of which will come from the Detroit district. The Ford tyre bill will exceed \$20,000,000, and \$4,800,000 will be spent for crude rubber on top of that.

Into production will go approximately \$3,500,000 in copper, \$1,500,000 in lead, \$4,854,000 in paint and \$10,100,000 in glass. For bodies alone Mr. Ford will spend \$200,000,000. Of these, bodies to a value of \$60,000,000 will be built in Ford plants; \$140,000,000 will be spent with outside makers, mostly in the Detroit district.

And, looking over the world, Ford's plants will draw materials and finished parts from England, Germany, France, Russia, Canada, India, Brazil, China, Mexico, Japan, the Federated Malay States and the Straits Settlement.

"Are you going into big production right away?" Mr. Ford was asked.

"Well," he answered, "we expect to be making from 5,000 to 6,000 cars a day before very long." "That's a lot of cars and these are hard times. How do you know you can sell them all?"

"We don't! But we're going to make a try and find out."

Mr. Ford's Long Experience Applied on Model.

Mr. Ford has given intensive personal attention to the building of his new and improved products.

Those close to him say that to a degree equalled only by the original model T, the new Ford V-eight will be a visible, tangible, expression of Henry Ford's skill and personality. There is scarcely a part in it, they say, that at some stage has not had the personal attention or borne the thumb-mark of Henry Ford.

During the development of the engine he was around it, watching, suggesting, supervising, working day by day and sometimes at night, when some particular problem was being worked out. His lieutenants say that frequently after some design or part had been accepted by his engineers, Mr. Ford ordered changes that involved diversion to other uses of carloads of special materials which had already arrived. He has been unrelenting in his work and study to eliminate parts.

"The fewer the parts the less hazard of trouble," he told his engineers.

KEEPING ENGINE FIT

Simple Precautions to Be Observed.

It is fairly common knowledge that oil accumulates road dust and dirt, and is diluted by unevaporated petrol during the period of service in a car. The extent to which outside contaminations impair the lubricating value of the oil is not, however, fully realised.

This is perhaps due to the fact that cars will continue to operate for long periods in spite of this contamination. The damage being done is not evident until the extensive wear that has been going on is revealed in the necessity for a complete rebore and overhaul or other costly repairs.

A safe practice is to drain the crankcase every 1,000 miles, and refill with fresh high-quality oil. Almost any up-to-date garage or service station will drain the used oil and refill with fresh motor oil for the cost of oil only.

In fact, many garages and service stations have introduced recording systems which enable them to offer a permanent draining service to their customers. By this system the motorist is given a reminder either personally or by post when his car is due once again for draining.

ON RACING THE ENGINE.

Tremendous Activity Of Parts.

There are many car owners who do not realise the detrimental effects often caused by excessively racing the engine, particularly if the car is standing still. Many owners, and some mechanics, at times race the engine while the car is stationary, to warm it up sufficiently for driving. Sometimes a mechanic will race the engine at excessive speeds to discover whether or not a carburettor adjustment has been properly made. It is important to realise that when a car is travelling at 60 m.p.h. in top gear the engine may turn over at 300 r.p.m., yet the same engine, with the throttle wide open, and operating under no load, will almost instantly go up to 4000 r.p.m., and sometimes higher. The tremendous activity of the engine parts when thus operated without load, the enormous heat energy created, this rapid and uncontrolled acceleration, and the possibility of the cooling system not being able to cope with these bursts of unloaded engine speeds, may result in serious damage. Scored pistons and cylinders may often be traced to such treatment, and whenever possible, motorists should not race the engine any more than is absolutely necessary.

A PNEUMATIC-TYRED RAIL COACH.

Successful Test On L.M.S. Railway.

ECONOMICAL WORKING.

Demonstration tests were carried out recently on the London Midland and Scottish Railway branch line between Bletchley and Oxford of an experimental rail coach, designed and built by the Michelin Tyre Company to illustrate the feasibility of running on railway lines with pneumatic tyres.

The coach is a self-contained unit, to carry twenty-four passengers. It may be visualised as an elongated motor-coach with flanged wheels, the flat periphery of the wheels resting on top of the rail being, to outward appearances, an ordinary giant pneumatic tyre such as is fitted to road vehicles. In the front of the vehicle is the engine, a four-cylinder petrol engine rated at 27 horse-power, and driver's cab. This part is suspended over a six-wheeled bogie. The middle axle of the bogie is directly driven through a four-speed gearbox, and the front axle is driven by chains and sprockets from the middle axle. The rear axle is merely a carrying axle. At the rear end of the passenger compartment is a four-wheeled carrying bogie, fitted like the front bogie with spring suspension and shock absorbers.

Light-Weight Construction.

Light-weight construction is a feature of both chassis and bodywork, so that the complete vehicle weighs unladen only five tons. All ten wheels are fitted with hydraulic brakes. The pneumatic tyres are fitted with pressure gauges and a device to give the driver automatic warning of loss of air pressure. In the event of a puncture the tyre deflates less than half an inch, an internal device allowed it to run without damage or loss of stability to the vehicle. A spare wheel is carried and can be shipped in place of a punctured wheel in five minutes at the first convenient stop.

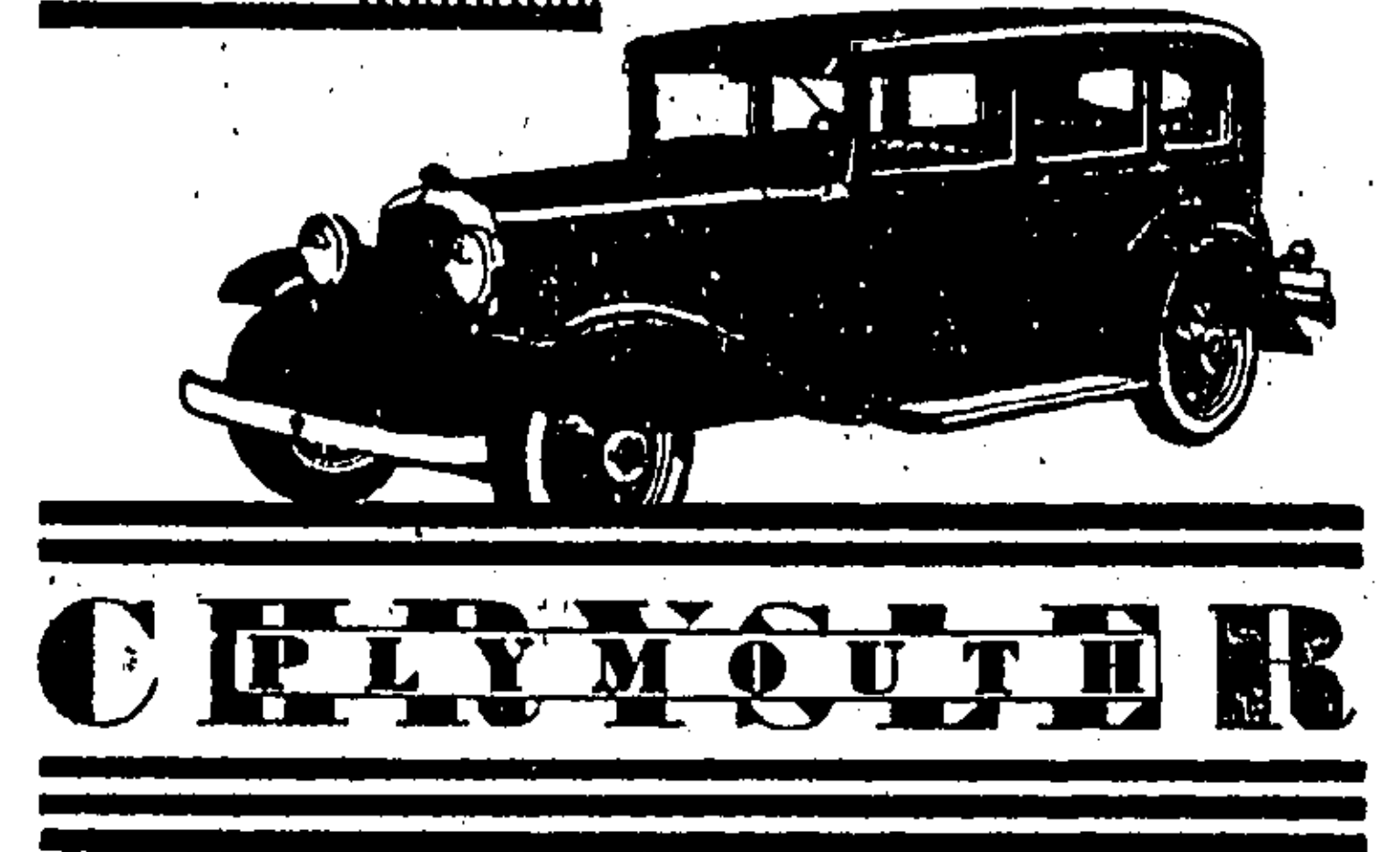
The maximum speed of the Michelin, as the vehicle is called, is sixty miles an hour, and the normal cruising speed is fifty-five miles an hour. Owing to its light weight, the coach can reach a speed of fifty miles an hour in 1,000 yards from rest, and from this speed can be brought to a standstill in 110 yards. Petrol consumption, with full load, averages about twelve miles a gallon, although on a clear run appreciably better results are obtained. Trial cars have been run at over eighty miles an hour, and a run from Paris to Deauville (137 miles) was made with seventeen passengers at an average speed of sixty-six miles an hour.

For Use on Secondary Lines.

The immediate object of the Michelin is to render possible economical working of secondary railway lines in face of road competition. It is claimed that a line entirely operated by Michelines would not need railway signalling, as the vehicles can stop in a very short distance, and that they could be run at short intervals as frequently as the demand warranted.

Lightness and smooth running result in low maintenance costs for both vehicle and track. The service mileage of the pneumatic tyres is about 20,000 miles. Test runs were made over thirty-one miles between Bletchley and Oxford. On the outward journey to Oxford the rail coach was run to schedule as a stopping train, with seven intermediate halts. Compared with the normal steam train eleven minutes were saved on the nineteen miles from Bletchley to Bleicester, and the final twelve miles were covered non-stop, except for a level-crossing halt. The total journey showed a saving of twenty-five minutes over the schedule of the steam train. Although several of the stops were less than three miles apart, the speedometer was kept fairly constant around fifty miles an hour, the saving in time being due ob-

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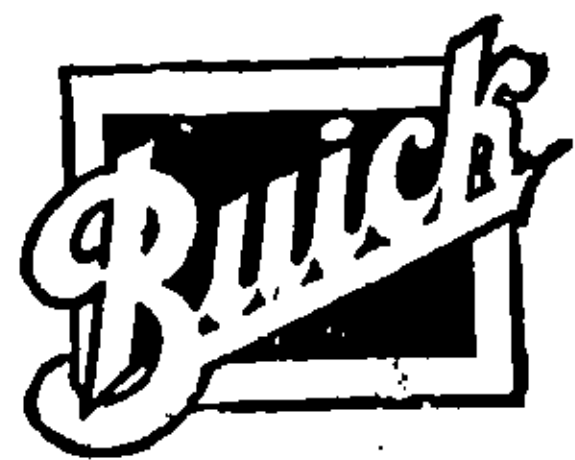
Smooth-Running and Silent.

The return journey was made non-stop in forty-two minutes, an average speed of about forty-four miles an hour. On several stretches a speed of fifty-eight miles an hour was maintained. The extraordinary feature of the journey from the point of view of the passengers was a complete absence of a sense of speed, and notable smoothness and silence. Even when passing through a tunnel there was scarcely any noise.

In a brake test, to illustrate an emergency stop, the vehicle was brought to a standstill from ten miles an hour in a distance of 4 ft. 6 in. without jar or vibration.

The makers do not put forward this particular vehicle as a type suitable for immediate use in section in running tests the merits of pneumatic-tyred rail coaches and to suggest to the railways that the pneumatic tyre may render a service to rail traction as great as that rendered to road transport, which has developed to its present level of efficiency and economy consequent on the introduction of the giant pneumatic tyre.

Special Tyre for the Tropics. Representatives of all the British railways and of some foreign lines are to be given opportunities of seeing demonstrations, and officials of the Ministry of Transport and Board of Trade will inspect the vehicle in the next few days. Other Michelin coaches are being tested on the Continent and in Egypt, and a special tyre has been evolved for this particular vehicle as a type suitable in tropical climates.



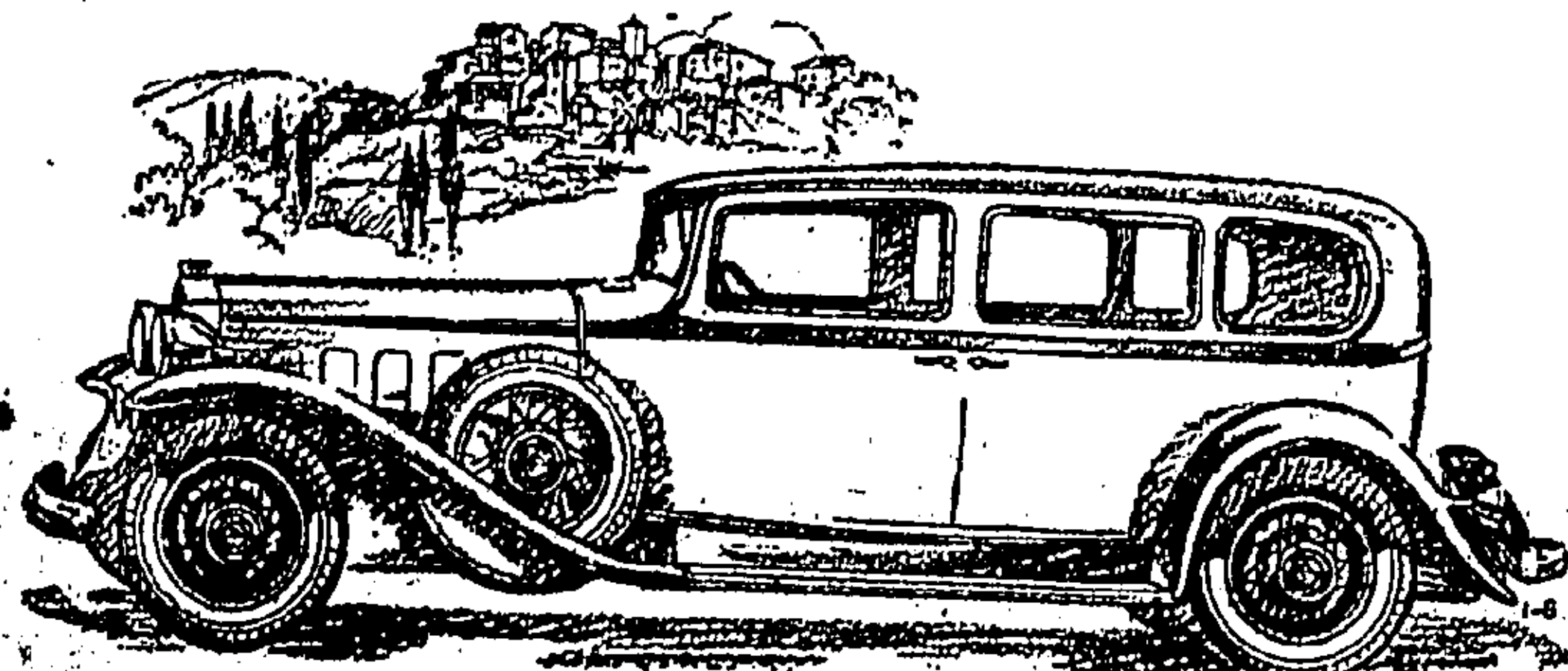
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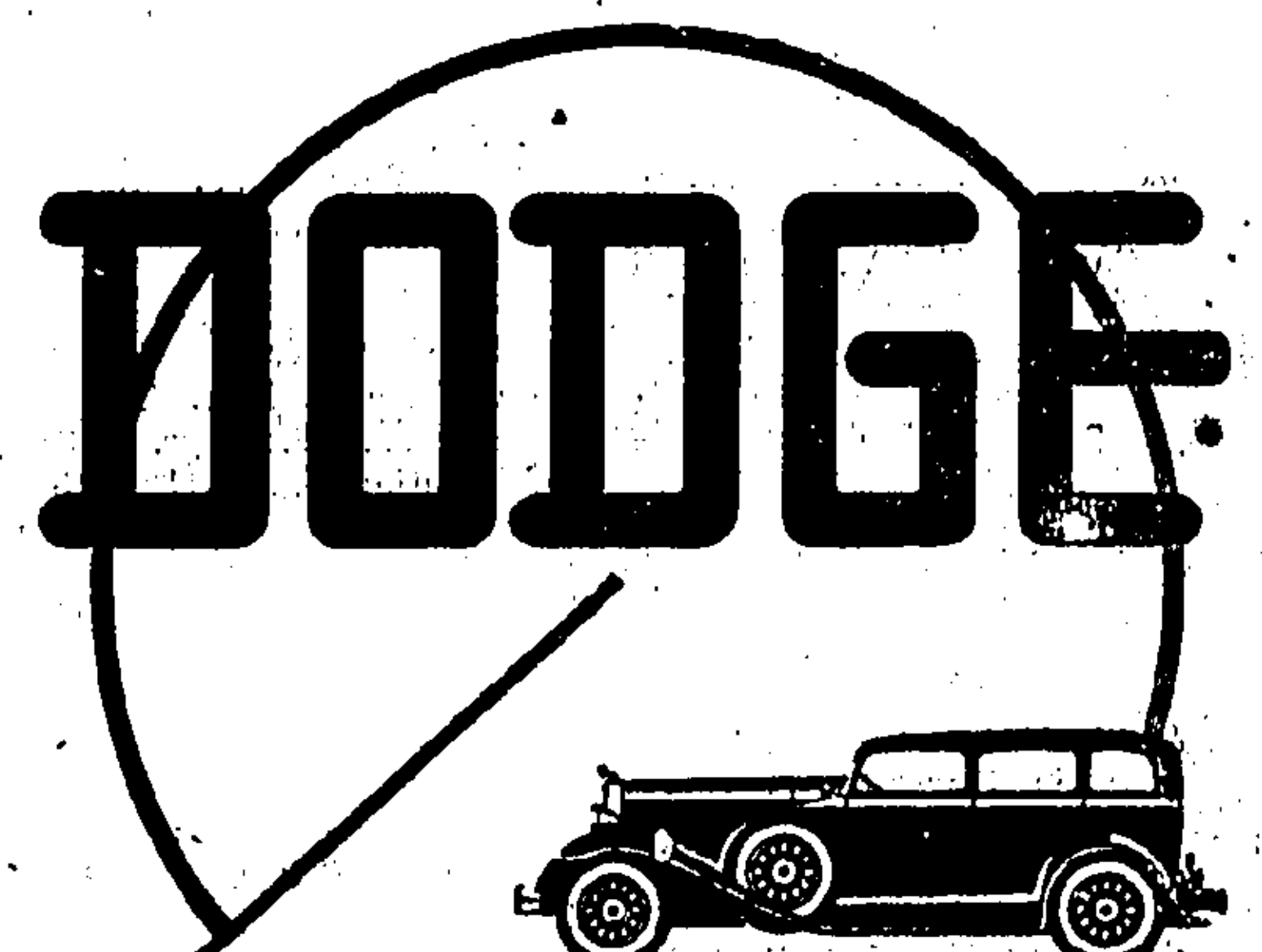
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Several Previous Cases Reported.

DEFENDANT FINED \$20.

A case, which had a morbid touch about it, was heard by Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning, when an elderly Chinese pleaded guilty before him to a charge of the theft of two sheets of white cloth, used for covering bodies in the mortuary of the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital.

Detective - Sergeant Kennedy, prosecuting, said that at 8.10 last night, a hospital attendant was hanging clothes out to dry on the second floor of the main building, when he saw the defendant enter the mortuary, which is situated directly opposite. He went down the stairs, and caught the defendant in the act of sorting out several coverings which were to be washed.

His Worship (to defendant)—You seem to have been found in the mortuary.

Defendant—No, your Worship—on the steps only!

Sergeant Kennedy remarked he had been instructed to bring to his Worship's notice that there had been several similar cases of theft, and the hospital employees had been given instructions to keep a strict watch on these prowlers.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$20 or, in default, one month's hard labour.

BACK TO THE OLD HORSE.

Its Superiority for Short Journeys.

MOTOR TRANSPORT OUSTED.

More horses are working on the streets of Great Britain to-day than at any time since the War.

Motor vehicles are being sold daily to give place to the wagon, and scores of stables converted into garages are again taking on their old form; there is every sign, in fact, that the number of horse-drawn drays will in a short time reach something like the figure of pre-motor car days.

The chief reason is economy. And not only has the horse been at long last "rediscovered" as an economical means of transport, but the British farmer is finding in its return to popularity a much needed fillip for one of the most typical of Great Britain's industries.

It is estimated that there are at present 300,000 horses engaged industrially in England. Taking an average of £40 per head a year for feeding, this is a constant and expanding market for £12,000,000 worth of agricultural produce.

Transport firms have for some times realised that the substitution of mechanical for horse haulage on shorter journeys has reduced efficiency without reducing costs. On journeys within a radius of five miles of the City of London, for

example, it is calculated that horse transport is nearly 50 per cent. cheaper.

Increasing Value.

"Municipalities and commercial firms in London and the provinces are finding that the value of the horse actually increases for two years after it is on the road" said Mr. R. A. Brown, Secretary of the National Horse Association of Great Britain to a Morning Post representative in mail week. "Its upkeep is cheaper than that of motor transport, and it is being found that mechanical haulage has not even resulted in more efficient service."

The despatch manager of a leading London transport firm said that on the basis of a 20 mile day he finds that a light horse van costs 2s. 2½d. an hour, against 3s. 2½d. for a 25 cwt. motor van. A four ton lorry costs 4s. 6½d. an hour to run and a double horse cart 3s. 0½d.

"For work necessitating frequent stoppages," he added, "the cost of horse collection per ton is 1s. 2.35d. cheaper than motor transport."

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Rugby, Yesterday.

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IMPERIAL AIRWAY'S FLYING BOATS.

To Call at Port Limasol, Cyprus.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Flying boats of the Imperial Airways' England-India Service, when operating in both directions above the Eastern Mediterranean, will pay regular weekly calls at the Port of Limasol on the Island of Cyprus, weather permitting, after April 17.—British Wireless Service.

EVIL OF NARCOTIC DRUGS.

Geneva Convention Approved.

Washington, Yesterday.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee to-day approved the Geneva Convention, regulating the distribution of narcotic drugs and limiting their manufacture.—Reuter's American Service.

COULD WE LIVE 1,000 YEARS?

Longer Life Not Good For the Race.

SCIENTIST'S "RIDDLES".

"Why must we die?" "How does our hair turn grey?" Is telepathy a fact?" and "Is there cruelty in nature?" These are among forty or more questions put by Sir Arthur Thomson, professor of natural history, in "Scientific Riddles," a new book (Williams and Norgate, 10s. 6d.).

He also raises the question whether human beings could live to a much greater age than at present. The chief reason why we die, apart from disease and accident, appears to be that we wear out.

Man, domesticated animals, and cultivated plants are often killed by invading microbes and parasites, "whereas," says Sir Arthur, "this is rare in natural conditions." Animals and plants in a natural condition come to terms with parasites that invade the body.

"Natural" death is due to "the slow mounting up of unrecuperated arrears of wear and tear in essential organs."

Wear and tear are to some extent counteracted by rest, sleep, food, and change but Sir Arthur says that "the active organism has a tendency to go into debt to itself. Unrecuperated arrears mount up, and when they exceed a certain (very variable) amount, natural death is inevitable."

There are, says Sir Arthur, various animal types, such as many fishes and reptiles, which show no signs of old age.

"In man's case," Sir Arthur says, "it is conceivable that the accumulation of lethal fatigue effects might be evaded for greatly prolonged periods. Rejuvenescence might be more perfect."

Would it be worth while, so far as the interests of the human race generally are concerned? Sir Arthur seems to think not, and that it is more advantageous for the race that parents should be relatively young.

FOR EMBRACING IN PUBLIC.

Chinese Couple Fined in Johore Bahru.

On a charge of misconducting themselves in public two Cantonese young men and a Cantonese young girl appeared before the Third Magistrate, Johore Bahru. All three accused claimed trial.

For the prosecution two Malay constables said that they saw the girl embracing the two men and kissing them on the Cheekway.

The story of the defence was that they went to the Causeway for a "makan angin" and there they remained for some time watching three Malays fishing.

In reply to the Court Inspector, the girl said that her husband was away in Seremban and that she had been separated from him for about two months, also that he had been sending her maintenance regularly.

All the three accused were convicted and fined \$2 each.

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